COVID-19 Playground Guidance

General Guidance

- Social distancing (6 feet between people, particularly when face coverings are not worn) should be maintained to the greatest extent practicable.
- Face coverings should be worn in accordance with the Governors’ Emergency Order.
- Those unable to wear a face covering due to a medical condition are encouraged not to use playgrounds if social distancing cannot be maintained.
- Equipment, gates, seating and other commonly touched surfaces that can be easily disinfected (fiberglass, plastic, metal, etc.) should be disinfected at least once per day. Playgrounds at child care facilities, schools or other high traffic facilities should be disinfected more frequently, including between different groups of children using them.

Signage should be present at the playground to:

- Encourage everyone to social distance, wear face coverings (if appropriate) and wash or sanitize their hands
- Notify users of how often and when the playground is typically cleaned and disinfected each day
- Remind them that the playground is not disinfected between users which makes frequent hand washing and sanitizing more important
- Encourage users to wipe down equipment if not in use when they arrive
- Identify locations of hand sinks or hand sanitizer present at the facility
- Remind people they must wash or sanitize hands before and after playground use