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To: All Early Intervention Stakeholders

From: Ann Freiburg, Chief *AmF*
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Re: Early Intervention (EI) Weekly Update

As mentioned last week, the number of families that each provider can see for in-person services has been expanded as of April 1st. For additional details, see the [updated guidance](#). New information for families ([updated FAQ](#) and [Determining What's Right for my Family](#)) has been posted as well. In addition, families are being asked to complete a survey on Live Video Visit use in early intervention. Families can access this survey in [English](#) or [Spanish](#).

Yesterday, the Bureau announced the availability of KN95 masks for early intervention payees. You can find more information about this opportunity [here](#). Payees can request masks via this [link](#) through April 16, 2021.

The vaccine for COVID-19 is an important tool for helping us get back to normal. Vaccine distribution is localized. You will need information specific to your county/region of the State. To find where you can get a vaccine, visit <https://coronavirus.illinois.gov/s/>. You may also access information from your local county health department at <https://www.dph.illinois.gov/contact-us/idph-regional-health-departments>. If you live in the city of Chicago, visit <https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/sites/covid19-vaccine/home/latest-updates.html>.

As we begin to see positivity rates increasing again, please remember that the [Illinois Department of Public Health's website](#) continues to be the best source of information on [regional conditions](#) and the activities permitted within each region. For details about approved activities, review the [updated plan](#).

Monitor the [Provider Connection's website](#) for updates to policy and procedure. The [EITP website](#) and [Facebook page](#), and the [EI Clearinghouse's website](#) should also be monitored for information and resources.

Stay safe and know that we appreciate all you do for infants, toddlers, and families!