

Covid-19 Re-Opening Plan

Covid-19 safety measures will still be utilized at OT For Kidz. This includes, but not limited to:

- Staff and parents must wear masks and clean hands with hand sanitizer upon entry into our facility. (Please know that mask-wearing may not be tolerated by some of our children but will be encouraged).
- Additional handwashing will be implemented with staff and children.
- Everyone entering our facility must wear a mask and pass a temperature check screening prior to transitioning into the waiting area and/or therapy rooms no matter the vaccination status.
- After sign-in, parents must wait in their vehicle to limit the amount of people in the waiting area. We are aware some parents commute to us using public transportation. We ask that all parents that are waiting in their cars to be understanding that these parents may wait in our waiting area.
- Each child is provided with their own cubby space to place their personal and work items. We also added their own container of supplies.
- We also added additional cleaning protocols throughout our facility.
- During therapy sessions, each of our therapists will be assigned a room and/or an area in one of our larger sensory rooms to facilitate social distancing.

We aim to decrease the amount of traffic in the waiting area, at the end of your child session, the parent will either get a text or a brief call to let you know the session is nearly complete. This time may also be used as an opportunity to briefly discuss the session with you. Parents, please understand that if you need more time to speak with your child's therapist that this may need to be scheduled ahead of time.

- If any child or staff becomes positive for Covid-19, all parents will be notified and OT for Kidz will close to quarantine for 10 days. The NYC DOE has not provided clear guidelines if remote services will be allowed if this shall happen. Parents will receive an email for us to obtain your electronic signature on the Tele-therapy Parent Consent Form electronically to stay one step ahead. The Parent and Therapist must work as a team for remote services this includes scheduling and proper preparation to support your child.
- We recommend encouraging your child to wear masks at home in short time increments daily. Start from 5-10 minutes or as tolerated and then gradually increase the time. Parents can model wearing their masks with their children. The goal is to try to reach up to 6 hours a day which is the average school day. The health and safety of our children, families, and staff are our priority!