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To all parents of children  
in Berlin day-care centres

– **Parent information on supplemental care options for children at increased risk for severe disease progression if infected with Covid 19. Also, for those who cannot attend the day-care centre because of close contact with a person with a high risk of infection.**

Dear Parents, Dear Sir or Madam,

For health reasons, children that belong to the so-called risk groups cannot take part in the regular day-care centres activities, or they do so only in a very limited way. The same applies to children that live in a household with parents, grandparents or siblings who belong to a risk group. This can be a burden in multiple ways for all those involved.

These children shall also have access to early childhood education and care again and thereby their parents will be supported. This is why the state of Berlin and its contracting parties have reached an agreement that allows specially protected care options.

– This means smaller and stable groups being cared for either in the day-care facilities or in another location. In individual cases it might be possible to provide hourly care within the families' households. How this offer will be arranged exactly, lies with the responsibility of the day-care operators. We have asked all day-care centre operators to develop this offer swiftly. We know that you have been waiting for that for a long time by now.

A precondition of this offer is that your child or a person living in the same household, holds a medical certificate that confirms a high risk for severe disease progression with the Covid 19 disease and thereby cannot take part in the regular day-care activities.

We assume that your day-care facility has already spoken to you about it. If that is not the case and you fulfil the above-mentioned criteria, please get in touch with your day-care facility. Together you can discuss if your day-care facility has the necessary organisational means and staff to offer you care options accordingly. The day-care centre's supervisor will support the operator, when needed, to find potential locations to offer you such care.

This special care offer will be financed by a request from the day-care centre's operator. The operator is not obliged to offer such care options. The resulting offer might also not include as much care time as noted in your voucher.

If your day-care centre's operator cannot offer you such care options, on request we can verify if another operator might be able to offer it for you.

If interested, you can send an email to: [kita-risikomittel@senbjf.berlin.de](mailto:kita-risikomittel@senbjf.berlin.de)

With kind regards,

On behalf of  
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