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We appreciate your patience and understanding as we work through the many questions and issues related to our response to COVID-19 in Georgia. We recognize this is a distressing and hectic time both for you and the families you serve. Please know that the health and safety of all children, their families, and the child care workforce is our highest priority.

Governor Kemp supports local communities in their decisions to close child care programs as needed in response to COVID-19. Since the Governor's news conference on Thursday, my Executive Cabinet and I have been busy working on developing communications materials for you. We are currently developing a document of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) which will be posted on our website at www.dec.al.ga.gov by **Monday, March 16, 2020**. In addition, we are planning a webinar for **Wednesday, March 18, 2020, at 12:30 PM** where our leadership team will update this situation and address your questions and concerns. You will receive more information to register for the webinar soon.

In the meantime, if you have any further questions or comments concerning COVID-19 in Georgia, please e-mail us at childcareservices@dec.al.ga.gov. For the latest and most accurate updates, visit the following websites: the Governor's Office, Georgia Department of Public Health, the CDC, or DECAL at www.dec.al.ga.gov.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. It is an honor to serve Georgia's children and their families with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Amy M. Jacobs".

Amy M. Jacobs
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