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The following provides guidance for Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) and contracted child placing agency foster care and juvenile justice caseworkers regarding determination of care (DOC) questions in response to current COVID-19 health concerns.

Assigned staff should complete a DOC re/assessment if foster parent activity has changed but should not reduce the DOC level because of any temporary restrictions in activity due to COVID-19. This instruction is consistent with similar circumstances of holiday and summer breaks where there may be temporary impacts on activities. As an example, local school districts releasing their distance learning plans may cause foster parent education activities to increase and as such the DOC assessment may change scoring and level.