

Sick Child Policy

A Child is considered to be sick when demonstrating any of the following symptoms:

- Temperature of at least 100 degrees Fahrenheit.
- Diarrhea (3 or more abnormally, unexpectedly or unexplained loose stools within a 24-hour period)
- Severe coughing, causing the child to become red or blue in the face or to make a whooping sound.
- Difficult or rapid breathing.
- Yellowish skin or eyes.
- Redness of the eye or eyelid, thick and purulent (pus) eye discharge, matted eyelashes, burning, itching or eye pain.
- Untreated infected skin patches, unusual spots or rashes.
- Unusually dark urine and/or gray or white stool.
- Stiff neck with elevated temperature.
- Evidence of untreated lice, scabies, or other parasitic infestations.
- Sore throat or difficulty in swallowing.
- Vomiting more than one time or when accompanied by any other sign or symptom of illness.

The center shall:

- Contact parents immediately to discuss condition. Parents will need to make arrangements for child to be picked up.
- Isolate the sick child away from other children, but within sight or hearing at all times.
- Provide sick child with a cot, and make comfortable.
- Notify parents if condition worsens.
- Clean and sanitize cot and toys played with by sick child before other children have access to them.

Before returning to the center the child must be symptom free for 24 hours. If returning to the center before the 24-hour time frame a Doctors slip is required for the child to be able to stay.