



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 5180:2-19-07 Management of communicable disease.

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(A) How will a school child program care for sick children?

- (1) A school child program staff member will observe each child daily as the child enters the group to recognize the common signs of communicable disease or other illness.
- (2) Decisions regarding exclusion of the child from the program either immediately or at some later time in the day will be determined by the administrator or school child program staff member and the parent(s).
- (3) A child with any of the following signs or symptoms of illness will be isolated immediately:
 - (a) Diarrhea (three or more loose stool in a twenty-four-hour period) if reported.
 - (b) Severe coughing, causing the child to become red or blue in the face or to make a whooping sound.
 - (c) Difficult or rapid breathing.
 - (d) Yellowish skin or eyes.
 - (e) Redness of the eye or eyelid, thick and purulent (pus) eye discharge, matted eyelashes, burning, itching or eye pain.
 - (f) Temperature of at least one hundred degrees Fahrenheit taken by the auxiliary method when in combination with other symptoms.
 - (g) Untreated infected skin patches, unusual spots or rashes.
 - (h) Unusually dark urine and/or grey or white stool if reported.
 - (i) Stiff neck with an elevated temperature.
 - (j) Evidence of untreated lice, scabies, or other parasitic infestation.
 - (k) Sore throat or difficulty in swallowing.
 - (l) Vomiting more than one time or when accompanied by any other sign or symptom of illness.

(B) What are the procedures a school child program will follow when isolating a sick child?

While isolated, the child will be:



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- (1) Isolated in a room or portion of a room not being used in the school child program.
- (2) Within sight or hearing of a staff member.
- (3) Made comfortable in a warm, safe environment. All linens and blankets used by an ill child will be laundered before being used by another child. Cots, mats, beds or other equipment will be disinfected before being used by another child.
- (4) Observed carefully for worsening condition.

(C) What are the reporting requirements for communicable diseases?

The school child program will:

- (1) Notify, when aware of diagnoses, all parents when children enrolled are exposed to a communicable disease during program time.
- (2) Post the DCY 08087 "Communicable Disease Chart" in a location readily available to parents, school child program staff members and employees. The chart is to be displayed in the size available in the Ohio department of job and family services (ODJFS) forms central in order for individuals to easily read, identify and respond to communicable diseases.