



Illnesses and Infections

Aim: It is my aim to ensure necessary steps to prevent infection and promote good health and hygiene within my setting.

I will promote and ensure children wash their hands before eating, handling food and after using the toilet.

I will ensure all children make sure the use of tissues when having minor colds and coughs.

I will provide flannels and towels for each child and will wash when necessary.

Spillages and bodily fluids will be cleaned up immediately using disposable gloves. Disposable gloves will be used also when changing nappies and will be discarded after each use.

I will ensure that my pet is safe around children and will not pose a health risk to the children on my premises.

Children will be excluded from my setting if they have an infectious disease such as a severe cough or stomach upset. They will be allowed to return after 48 hours from being free from illnesses in order to minimize risk from infection to other children and myself.

If a child arrives with a disease or illness I believe may be infectious, I expect the child not to attend my setting until they have been well for 48 hours after the illness. I expect to be paid for the child even if they are excluded from my setting due to an illness or infectious disease.

If my children or I have an infectious disease, I will inform you as soon as possible. I will not in this instance be able to care for your child; therefore I will not charge you for the time that my service is unavailable.

If a child in my care who is not one of my own children has an infectious disease and is not able to attend my setting, all other parents will be informed.

For a child who becomes ill during my care or if I believe they have an illness or infectious disease, I will contact the Parents/Carers as soon as possible for immediate collection of the child. I will ensure the child is excluded for the recommended period in accordance with Health Authority Guidelines.

If I believe a child is suffering from a notable disease I will contact the Ofsted on advice from the Health Protection Agency. This will be identified in accordance to the Public Health (infectious diseases) Regulations 1998.

If necessary I will gain written permission from Parents/Carers for administrating medicines. This will also be recorded in the incident/accident book.



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