

ScuttleBugs' Illness Policy

Certain symptoms in children may suggest the presence of a communicable disease. Children who have the following symptoms should be excluded from the child care setting until:

1. A physician has certified they symptoms are not associated with an infectious agent or they are no longer a threat to the health of other children at the center, or
2. The child is symptom free for more than 24 hours without the use of medication

If your child develops:	The keep him/her home until:
Fever – A temperature of 100 Fahrenheit auxiliary or higher, before fever reducing medication is given	The fever is normal for 24 hours without fever reducing medication
Respiratory Symptoms – Difficult or rapid breathing or severe coughing that is constant and prevents the child from participating in activities	Coughing, breathing difficulties and/or other symptoms no longer affect normal activity
Vomiting	24 hours after vomiting has stopped
Diarrhea – An increased number of abnormally loose stools in the previous 24 hours. Observe child for other symptoms	24 hours after the last loose stool
Rash or Skin Problems	Rash disappears or is diagnosed as not contagious. Impetigo – 24 hours after treatment begins and lesions are dry or can be covered by bandages Scabies – 24 hours after treatment begins Chicken Pox – until blisters have dried into scabs, about 6-10 days after onset Thrush —24 hours after treatment begins
Conjunctivitis (Pinkeye) – Tears, redness of eyelid lining, irritation followed by swelling and discharge of pus	24 hours after treatment begins
Head Lice	First treatment is completed, no live lice are seen and ALL nits (eggs) are removed
Strep Throat/Scarlet Fever	24 hours after treatment begins AND child is without fever
General Lethargy – When a child is not able to participate in activities with reasonable comfort and requires more care than the program staff can provide without compromising the health and safety of other children	Condition improves

May Return: **See above**

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

