

Magic Hours Childrens' Center

Health Policy & Attendance Exclusions

SYMPTOM

KEEP CHILD AT HOME UNTIL:

Symptoms of Illness	May include lethargy, sleeping, coughing, wheezing, persistent crying & irritability, or inability to function through daily routines.
Fever	Fever must register below 100° for a 24-hour period without the use of fever reducing medications.
Runny Nose	Thick yellow or green discharge is containable, and clears up, doctor has evaluated the issue and allows child to return to school.
Earache/Ear infection	Doctor examines the child and recommends the child return to school.
Sore Throat	Doctor determines the child doesn't have strep throat or is contagious. If antibiotic is necessary child may return 24 hours after antibiotic treatment has begun. Staff cannot administer any medications.
Body Rash/Diaper Rash	Diaper rash should be treated at home. A doctor determines the cause and gives child permission to return to school.
Cough	Coughing subsides, does not interfere with the child's school day, or is evaluated and treated by physician.
Pale/ Flushed skin	Color returns to what is normal for the child.
Conjunctivitis/Red or watery eyes	Eyes return to normal or doctor determines that there is no infection. 24 hours after treatment begins with doctors note to return to school.
Draining sore/Mouth sore	Until draining stops or scab begins to form and doctor determines it is not from communicable disease.
Upset Stomach/ Vomiting	Child has no other symptoms of illness, is eating normally and vomiting has stopped for 24 hours.
Diarrhea	Child has no other symptoms of illness. Diarrhea has stopped for 24 hours. Stools must be contained in diaper or child is able to get to toilet in time.
Chicken Pox/Shingles/Impetigo	May return after rash and sores have dried up and crusted over.
Head Lice/Scabies/	24 hours after treatment began. Must be completely lice and nit free.
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	May return after antibiotic treatment and determined not contagious with a doctors note.
Mumps	Swelling has subsided and determined not contagious.
Hepatitis A	Directed by a doctor to not be contagious and appropriate measures have been taken for staff and children.

Measles	Doctor determines not to be contagious, rash has subsided.
Rubella	Doctor determines not to be contagious, rash has subsided
Tuberculosis (TB)	Until treatment has begun, fever is gone and doctor states the child is non-infectious.
Biting	Biting is an unacceptable act of social behavior that we consider a health hazard. If a child has a biting problem, parents are expected to respect and cooperate with staff to prevent further occurrences and to protect the children involved. Parent may be required to remove the child from the center for the remainder of the day.

Magic Hours Childrens' Center is not licensed to care for sick or injured children. If a child shows any symptoms of illness or demonstrates an inability to function in daily activities, parents will be called to pick up their child. If the parent is unavailable, the persons on the emergency information record will be contacted. In the best interest of all of the children in our care, we have the right to refuse care for any child with any symptoms or signs of illness. Before a child may return to school, a doctor's note may be required for any of the above symptoms or illnesses.

- **All the above symptoms/illness require a doctor's note to return to school.**
- **Children may not return to school if they require medications to treat symptoms.**
- **Staff cannot administer antibiotics, eye drops, lotions, sunscreen or any medications either prescribed or over the counter.**
- **Children with certain medical conditions under the current care of a doctor may have an Incidental Medical Services Plan preapproved by MHCC Administration.**
- **Magic Hours Childrens' Center reserves the right to refuse services that would directly and adversely alter our quality of care and/or our program.**

**Acknowledgement of Notification of Magic Hours Childrens' Center
Health Policy & Attendance Exclusions**

By signing this document you agree to follow and adhere to the terms and conditions of Magic Hours Childrens' Center Health Policy & Attendance Exclusions stated above.

I, the parent/authorized representative of _____, have received a copy of the Magic Hours Childrens' Center Health Policy & Attendance Exclusions and agree to its terms and conditions.

Signature of Parent/Guardian/Authorized Representative

Date