



Policy Statement

The health and wellbeing of the children in attendance is a top priority to MRCS. Seasonal flus and sicknesses are inevitable; however, it is our top priority to ensure top health is maintained within our facilities.

Immunization

Parents are required to provide up to date immunization records for their child. A copy of their records will be kept on file and is required during enrollment. If a parent has chosen not to immunize their child, MRCS will require a signed letter from the parent stating this choice.

Illness

We are under strict guidelines with regards to disease control, hence there may be times when we will need to send an ill child home or not accept an ill child into care. For this reason, parents would be advised to have a plan for alternate care. If a child becomes ill at the centre, we will do everything possible to comfort the child until the parent or emergency contact person arrives to take the child home. The child may also need to be isolated from the other children.

The following guidelines by the B.C. ministry of health list the symptoms that require children to be excluded from childcare facilities. Parents will be notified and required to make arrangements for pick up immediately if a child exhibits any of the following symptoms:

- Fever of 101 F (38.5C)
- Vomiting
- Persistent diarrhea
- Severe coughing
- Lethargic (not participating in daily activities)
- Difficult or rapid breathing
- Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye)
- Unusual spots or rashes
- Yellowish color or tint to the eyes/skin (Jaundice)
- Difficulty in swallowing
- Head Lice
- Any other symptoms that in the opinion of the caregiver, indicate the possible presence of a contagious disease such as chicken pox, measles, impetigo, etc.

Parents will be notified of contagious diseases affecting the children at the centre. A child with a communicable disease will not be readmitted into the centre until the period of contamination is passed or until the child is fully recovered from his/her illness.

It is required to keep your child at home, when suffering from one or more of the above symptoms, for the following work/daycare day and until your child is well enough to participate in the regular program of the facility.