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# Guidelines for Exclusion of Children from Child Care Programs

1. **Signs of Possible Illness:** *Including unusual lethargy, irritability, persistent crying, difficulty breathing, and/or inability to function in a group setting.*
2. **Fever Defined by the Child's Age as Follows:** *Children 3 to 6 years, oral or axillary temperature 101 degrees F. May re-enter the center after having a normal temperature for a period of 24 hours.*
3. *Persistent, frequent cough that interferes with the child's activities.*
4. **Diarrhea** *defined as an increase in the number of stools compared with the child's normal pattern with increased stool waters and/or decreased form (diarrhea that cannot be contained within diapers or toilet use). Child can not return until 24 hours after diarrhea has stopped.*
5. **Effortful Vomiting** - *Unless the vomiting is determined to be non-disease related and the child is not in danger of dehydration, child can not return until 24 hours after the last vomiting episode.*
6. **Rash** *with fever or behavior change or a rash that is possibly infectious.*
7. **Chicken Pox** - *6 days after onset of rash until all lesions have dried and crusted.*
8. **Strep Throat, Scarlet Fever** - *Until 24 hours after treatment has been initiated.*
9. **Impetigo** - *Until 24 hours after treatment has been initiated.*
10. **Ringworm (head, body, genitals or feet infection)** - *until 24 hours after treatment has been initiated.*
11. **Scabies, Head Lice** - *Allowed to return to day care the morning after their first treatment.*
12. **Purulent Conjunctivitis ("Pink Eye")** - *Defined as pink or red conjunctiva with white or yellow eye discharge often with matted eyelid after sleep and including a child with eye pain or redness of the eyelid or skin surrounding the eye. Child cannot return until 24 hours after treatment has been initiated.*
13. **Mouth sores** *associated with an inability of the child to control his/her saliva.*
14. **Pertussis (Whooping Cough)** - *Until 5 days of appropriate antibiotics have been completed.*
15. **Coxsackie** - *Child must be fever and diarrhea free 24 hours prior to attending day care.*
16. **Lice** - *We have a no nits policy. Your child must be free of any lice and nits to return to Little Rascals.*

*Failure to comply with New York State Immunization Laws.*