



Important Reminders about Medication, Illness, Immunisation and Infectious Diseases

Medication

- any child requiring medication needs to have a medication form completed by the parent/guardian.
- All medication brought to the centre needs to be placed in the locked medication box in the child's room or kitchen if requiring refrigeration.
- All medication requires a pharmacy label stating the child's name and dosage requirements and expiry date
- The first dose of any medication will not be administered by a staff member.
- No more than 2 doses of a prescription medication will be administered to a child throughout the day.

Immunisation

- The centre invokes the right to not let any non-immunised children attend the centre (this includes children who have missed their latest one)
- If your child is due for their next immunisation they must be absent from care for a minimum of 24hrs from the time of receiving their immunisation.
- If you do not keep your child's immunisations up to date you will have their CCS cancelled by Centrelink. This is not our responsibility and you will be responsible for extra fees incurred.
- All families must provide up to date copies of their child's immunisation status (Red book not acceptable)

Illness and Infectious Diseases

- If your child has a temperature of 38° or higher you will be notified and if deemed necessary asked to collect your child.
- Any child suffering from Vomiting or Diarrhoea are to be excluded from care. We ask that there be a minimum of 24hrs absence from care from the last instance of either symptom.
- If live head lice are found on your child you will be contacted and asked to collect your child. They can be returned to the centre once their hair has been properly treated.
- A clearance letter is required for your child to attend the centre if:
 - * they have recently had an infectious disease requiring exclusion
 - * they have rash or spots that are suspect



To save time and frustration for parents we ask that if your child suffers eczema or has allergic reactions resulting in rashes, ask your doctor for a letter stating this so we can keep it on file. If you are at the doctors always go with the motto that it is always better to ask for a clearance letter. The centre reserves the right not to accept a clearance letter if we believe the child is too unwell for care or is still contagious.

Whilst we understand that taking time off may be difficult we ask that all parents use their better judgement when it comes to sending their child to care if they are unwell. If we all work together we can help to minimise the spread of infection.