



## Jolly Toddlers Health Care/ Sick Policy

Jolly Toddlers understands that it is difficult for a parent to leave or miss work, therefore it is suggested that alternative arrangements be made for occasions when children must remain at home or be picked up due to illness.

If your child has any of the following conditions or symptoms, we will contact you as soon as possible to pick up your child from the center. Please do so (within 1-1½ hrs.) in order to prevent contagion of other children and staff and to provide comfort to your child.

Fever accompanied by other symptom (temperature of 100F, or 100.4F if taken by ear)

- Any rash suspicious of contagious childhood disease.
- Vomiting.
- Diarrhea.
- Any skin rash, lesion or wounds with bleeding or oozing of clear fluid or pus.
- Conjunctivitis also called “pink eye” with white or yellow discharge.
- Mouth sores with drooling.
- Any condition preventing the child from participating comfortably in usual program activities.
- Any illness or condition requiring one-on-one care.
- Scabies, head lice, or other infestations.
- Constant, uncontrolled nasal discharge or constant uncontrolled productive cough (raising phlegm).
- Any contagious illness which is reportable\*\* to the Department of Public Health.

After a child was excluded for any of the above reasons, in order to return to the program the following conditions must be met:

- A child must be free from fever, vomiting, and diarrhea (without medicine) for a **full** 24 hours.
- Any child prescribed an antibiotic for a current bacterial infection must take the prescription for a **full** 24 hours before returning.
- A child must be able to participate comfortably in all usual program activities, including outdoor time.
- The child must be free of open oozing skin conditions unless
  - A health care provider signs a note stating that the condition is not contagious AND
  - A bandage without seepage or draining through the bandage can cover the involved area(s).
- A child excluded because of lice or scabies or other infestation may return 24 hours after treatment has begun with a note from the doctor stating that the child is larvae or nit free.
- If a child was excluded because of a reportable\*\*, contagious illness, a \*doctor’s note stating that the child is no longer contagious is required to return.

\* The doctor’s note must be from a physician who is not related to the child.

\*\*Each state publishes a listing of communicable diseases, such as measles, tuberculosis, whooping cough, etc., which must be reported to the Department of Public Health upon diagnosis.

\*\*\*A final decision whether to exclude a child from the program is made by the Director.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_