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The cold and flu season is getting closer! We wanted to bring up our policy on caring for sick children at Billie's Busy Kids to your attention.

We follow for the 'Keep Me Home if Policy'.

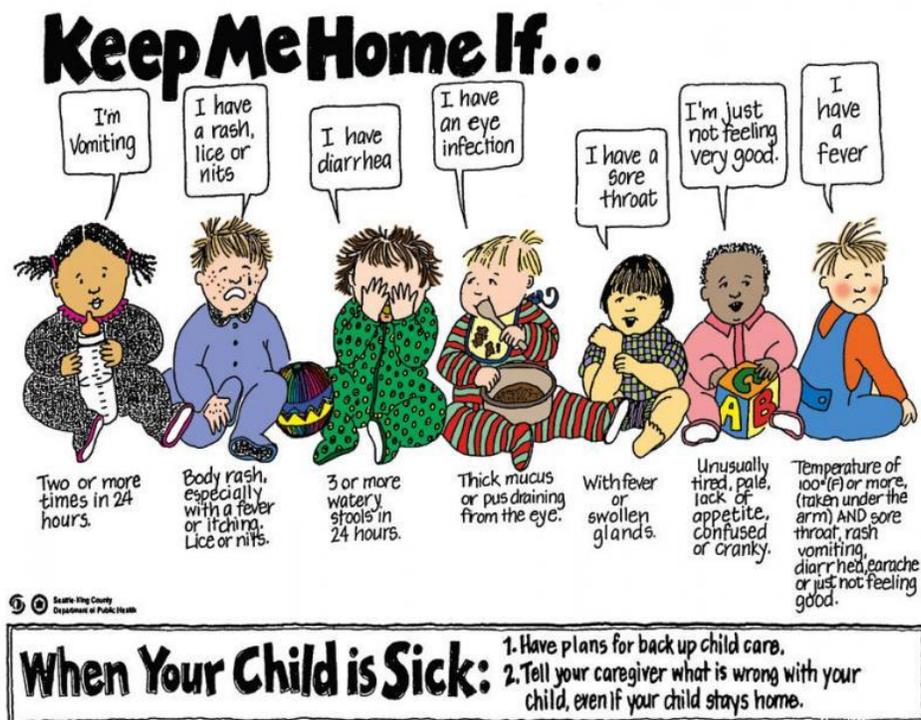
The provider will check all children for signs of illness when they arrive and throughout the day. If the following signs of a possibly contagious illness are present, that child will not be admitted into care that day or the parent will be called to pick up their child. The child will be kept in an unoccupied licensed area, away from other children until the parent arrives and be cared for by the secondary or third available assistant if available. *It is up to you the parent to find alternative care for your child or pick up as soon as possible. We request no more than 1 hour from our phone call. **You are required to pay for your time in care per our signed agreement.***

Children and staff with the following symptoms will be excluded up to 48 hours symptom free before able to return to child care: (WAC 170-296A-3210-3)

- temperature of at least 100° F or 101° F orally AND/OR who also have one or more of the following (having the following symptoms alone are reason enough to pick up your child from care and exclude up to 48 hours symptom free)
 - headache
 - earache
 - sore throat
 - rash
 - vomiting within the past 48 hours
 - diarrhea (increased fluidity and/or frequency of bowel movements relative to the person's usual pattern ie: More than 2 in a 24 hour period of time) within 48 hours; or any bloody stool
- any suspected communicable infection of the skin or eyes such as impetigo, MRSA, pinkeye, scabies, pus or mucus drainage from the eye, or a rash not associated with heat, diapering, or allergy
- open or oozing sores, unless properly covered and 48 hours have passed since starting treatment, if treatment is necessary

- fatigue, irritability, or confusion that prevents participation in regular activities, such as sleeping or resting more than usual for that child, not wanting to eat, or multiple cold symptoms that keep the child from regular activities
- lice or nits (for head lice, children and staff may return to child care once no live lice are visible – or – once no live lice or nits are visible)

Having any one of the listed above symptoms requires you to pick up your child from child car AND have your child stay home 48 hours symptom free. Even if the item listed is due to a “food related issue” we are still not equipped to care for your child unless a doctor has deemed the item listed above a “medically related condition”.



Following an illness or injury, children will be readmitted to the program when:

- they no longer have the above symptoms
- they have been without fever for 48 hours without being treated by an antipyretic such as acetaminophen (Tylenol) or ibuprofen
- 48 hours have passed since starting appropriate treatment
- they no longer have significant discomfort

As a reminder please advise us if your child is not attending the childcare with either a phone call or a text message.

I am always available if you have any questions.

Thank you

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I am aware of the sick and keep me home if policy.

Parent signature

date