# PlayPlace America medication and sick policy

When children are in daycare, illnesses spread rapidly. In order to keep the spread of illness to a minimum, we require that children not attend daycare when they have any of the following signs or symptoms...

- Fever of 101 degrees or higher (must be fever free for 24 hours)
- Diarrhea
- Vomiting
- Breathing trouble
- Pink eye
- Unusual spots or rashes
- Head lice (children are checked periodically)
- Other communicable diseases
- severe coughing
- headache
- sore throat or trouble swallowing
- unusual behavior

A child can be sent home for all of these signs and/or symptoms. Once a parent has been called and informed of the child's symptoms, someone must pick up the child within the hour to avoid further contact with other children and staff. Once your child has been picked up, he/she may not return to daycare within 24 hours. For some illnesses, a doctor's note may allow a child back before the 24 hour period is up (ie. teething, ear infection or other non-contagious disease). If a child has been out for more than 3 days due to illness, a doctor's note is required for admission back to the center. It is up to the centers discretion whether a child may or may not return based on certain illnesses.

If your child has head lice, the center has a "no-nit policy" which means a child may not return until the child's head has been checked thoroughly by a staff member. If nits remain in your child's hair, they may not be admitted until all nits are gone.

Administering Medication:

Prescription medication may only be administered according to a doctor's written instructions or instructions on the label of the medication. All medication needs to be in the original container with the child's name on the label. Please have the doctor fill out a form for medication they prescribe that will need to be given while your child is at daycare.

We also need your doctor's permission to give over the counter medications of any kind. We have forms here at the center or you can have the doctor's office fill out the school form they have there. **ABSOLUTELY NO EXPIRED MEDICATION CAN BE GIVEN!** A medication form must also be filled out by the parent giving permission for the staff of PlayPlace to administer medication to your child.

I have read and agree to follow the sick policy of PlayPlace America.

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Parent's Signature Date