Sick policy

Bringing a child into the clinic with any of the symptoms listed below puts other children and staff at risk of getting sick. If all parents keep their sick child at home, we will have stronger, healthier and happier children. In the long run, this means fewer lost work days and less illness for parents, too.

If your child has any of these symptoms, please keep them home and have them return to the clinic after 24 hours of being symptom free.

Diarrhea – Diarrhea due to illness is highly contagious. Please understand that germs from diarrhea can be spread through carpets, toys, swings and direct contact. It is very difficult to keep from spreading these germs to other children.

Vomiting – please keep your child home until 24 hours after the vomiting has stopped. When children return too soon, there is a much higher rate of recurrence and contagiousness.

Rash – A rash may be a sign of many illnesses. Please keep your child home until the rash has been gone for 24 hours.

Strep throat – please keep your child home for 24 hours after start of treatment

Lice – please keep your child home until his/her head is treated and free of lice and nits.

Fever – Fevers are common in young children and are often a signal that something is wrong. If your child has a fever of 101 or higher please keep your child home until they are 24 hours fever free without medication.

Cough / cold: Colds are a common occurrence. However there are some symptoms that warrant keeping a child home. These include, but are not limited to: bad cold with hacking or persistent cough, green or yellow nasal drainage, productive cough with green or yellow phlegm being coughed up.

Conjunctivitis (Pinkeye) – please keep your child home until eyes are clear or has been treated with antibiotics for 24 hours

Chicken pox: Please keep your child home until blisters have formed scabs, and there are no new ones.

Please note SOS staff cannot administer any medications.

 Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

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Print Name

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Signature   Date