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Title: EXCLUSION GUIDELINES FOR SICK CHILDREN AND ADULTS
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RE: CFR# 1302.47 (7) (iii)

POLICY

Parents and staff will be informed of Head Start exclusion guidelines for ill or injured children and adults.

PROCEDURE

1. In order to insure the safety and health of our children and staff, and in compliance with regulations set forth by the Idaho Department of Health, children or adults who have any of the following conditions will be excluded from the classroom until child is symptom free for 48 **24** hours, without the use of medications, or we receive communication from that individual's medical provider stating that they are no longer contagious.
 - a) A forehead temperature of 100.4 degrees and over.
 - b) A painful, red throat, even if no fever is present.
 - c) A deep, hacking cough.
 - d) Difficulty breathing, or untreated wheezing (call or see your doctor).
 - e) An unexplained rash.
 - f) Vomiting
 - g) Diarrhea (runny, watery or *bloody stools).
 - h) Complaints of a stiff neck and headache with one or more of the above symptoms call or see your doctor.
 - i) Thick green drainage from the nose along with sinus pressure, fever or tiredness.
 - j) Yellow discharge from the eyes.
 - k) An unusual yellow coloring to the skin or eyes (call or see your doctor).
 - l) Cuts or openings on the skin that are pus-filled or oozing (bring a note from doctor and keep sores covered).
 - m) Lice or nits (ask the Family Advocate for assistance with this issue).
 - n) A contagious disease. If you know or suspect your child has a contagious disease, please call your child's teacher or the Family Advocate (see your doctor to confirm the disease and receive medication/s if needed).
2. Parents who feel their child is too ill or an injury is such that the health and safety of the child cannot be assured by making reasonable accommodations appropriate to the anticipated time necessary to participate in outdoor activities should be advised by staff to keep her/him home an extra day (or as recommended by their physician) to insure a complete recovery. If a chronic health condition limits participation in outdoor activities, a plan will be developed in partnership with that child's healthcare provider.
3. If a staff member is unsure about a child's condition or a child is brought in to the classroom that they suspect is ill, they should first discuss the issue with the parent. If the

parent and staff are not in agreement about the need for exclusion from the classroom, the staff should contact the Health Manager for advisement.

4. Staff will refer to the Communicable Disease Protocol and Communicable Disease and Illness policy and procedures for further guidance.

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