

Child Care Centre

Enteric Outbreak Management Checklist

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| 1. When did you first identify an increase in illness at the centre? | Enter Date |
| 2. Notify the Health Unit – 705-721-7520 x 8809 | Date SMDHU notified |
| 3. Start a Line List <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use a separate page for staff and a separate page for children. • Who to include on the line list? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff or children who have had more than one episode of diarrhea and/or vomiting within a 24 hour period, i.e.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ at least 2 episodes of diarrhea, or ▪ at least 2 episodes of vomiting, or ▪ at least 1 episode of vomiting and 1 episode of diarrhea • Staff or children who have had at least 1 enteric symptom and have received a laboratory confirmed result • As directed by your public health inspector • Update the line list each day and resubmit to SMDHU: Fax: 705-733-7738 or request a secure link through your assigned inspector – do not email the line list directly to the inspector | Date line list initiated |
| 4. Isolate & send home when a child/staff is symptomatic on-site <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Separate the child from the other children & contact primary caregivers to make arrangements for pick up as soon as possible • Send ill staff home immediately | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, children are being isolated as necessary |
| 5. Exclusion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exclude ill children/staff until 48 hours symptom free • Supervisors are to review with symptomatic staff exclusion from working in other centres for the duration of the outbreak | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, children and staff are being excluded until they are symptom free for at least 48 hours |
| 6. Cohort classrooms during the outbreak <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not mix children from different classrooms and keep staff designated to one classroom • Staff should also not be working at other child care locations | Enter date cohorting was initiated |
| 7. Notification: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notify families, visitors, and community stakeholders of outbreak status • Educate visitors/parents/volunteers on precautions • Post signage indicating facility is currently in outbreak | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, the necessary individuals have been notified <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, signs have been posted |
| 8. Defer admissions, visits to other rooms or “short term care” until the outbreak is under control. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visits to other classrooms are to be deferred • If there are concerns about being able to meet this requirement, discuss with your assigned inspector | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, admissions, visits, and short-term care are being deferred |
| 9. Cancel social activities, field trips and community functions | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, social activities, field trips and community functions are being cancelled/deferred |
| 10. Routine Practices: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase handwashing – review with staff/volunteers/children and review use of alcohol hand sanitizers. • Review diapering procedures and staff assignments – staff providing diapering should not handle food. | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, hand hygiene is being increased and diapering procedures have been reviewed |

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| <p>11. Disinfectant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Switch to your outbreak level disinfectant: a product proven effective against non-enveloped viruses (e.g., poliovirus, norovirus, rhinovirus, rotavirus). | <p>Enter name of disinfectant (and concentration if necessary)</p> <p>Date centre started using disinfectant</p> |
| <p>12. Increase Cleaning & Disinfection:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High-touch surfaces, equipment, toys, etc. should be cleaned and then disinfected • All bedding, dress up clothes and plush toys are to be laundered on high heat • Items that cannot be cleaned/disinfected or laundered to be removed for outbreak duration • Steam-clean all carpets in affected rooms | <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes, centre has increased the frequency of cleaning & disinfection of surfaces and toys</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes, bedding/dress-up, plush toys have been laundered on high heat</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes, hard to clean items have been removed</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes, carpets have been steamed</p> |
| <p>13. Review communal activities and sensory play. Water play, or any sensory activities using water to be discontinued for duration of the outbreak.</p> | <p><input type="checkbox"/> Water play has been discontinued</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Planned programming has been reviewed (e.g., sensory play)</p> <p>Enter plan for sensory play during outbreak.</p> |
| <p>14. Specimen Collection – if parents are interested in collecting a specimen for their child, or staff are interested in collecting a specimen for themselves/</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss with the assigned inspector for acquisition of kits and arrangements for pick-up | <p><input type="checkbox"/> There are staff or parents interested in specimen collection</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> There are no staff or parents interested in specimen collection at this time, we will notify the inspector if this changes</p> |
| <p>If there are any concerns about the above requirements, contact your assigned Inspector for further discussion</p> | |
| <p>Additional Comments:</p> | |

Checklist Completed By:

Date Checklist was Completed: