



Diseases Fact Sheet - Day Care Diseases

South Dakota Department of Health

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What is it?

Unsure of when your sick child should be temporarily out of a childcare setting? Here are some general guidelines for recommended exclusion:

- Illness that prevents the child from participating comfortably in program activities
- Illness that results in a greater need for care than the staff can provide without compromising the health and safety of other children
- Fever, lethargy, irritability, persistent crying, difficult breathing and/or other manifestations of possible severe illness
- Persistent abdominal pain (continuous for more than two hours) or intermittent abdominal pain associated with fever, dehydration or other systemic signs or symptoms

[See Illness Exclusion Recommendations](#)