

POLICIES TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF GERMS

- Regular cleaning and disinfecting schedule with a checklist.
 - Refer to licensing regulations for guidance on cleaning {37.95.207 General Housekeeping}
- A daily pre-check in assessment of all children attending child care for the day.
- Food preparers should not have diaper duty to reduce the likelihood of food contaminated with fecal matter.
- A sick child policy that instructs staff on how to handle a sick child, when to call their parents, and when to allow a child back into the child care facility.
 - Must follow licensing regulations in regard to sick children in childcare {37.95.139 Day Care Facilities, Health Care Requirements}
- A sick staff policy.
- An immunization policy for all staff, especially for flu and Tdap (adult pertussis or booster shot)
- Ongoing review process of vaccination records to ensure both children and staff are up to date on all vaccines.
 - It is recommended to review Immunization records for all children *at least* every 6 months.

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