

Rationale:

Outside School Hours Care are expected to be safe and healthy places for staff and students to enjoy. Students with infectious diseases need to be managed in a manner that protects their privacy, maintains their health and dignity, and ensures the health and safety of all others.

Aims:

To provide a safe and healthy workplace for all staff and students.

Implementation:

- Whilst it is not uncommon for children to attend schools with minor ailments or injuries, there are a number of identified infectious diseases that require specific considerations including the exclusion of students from the service.
- A copy of the current School Exclusion Table is available online at:

<https://www.health.vic.gov.au/infectious-diseases/school-exclusion-table>

- The regulations require the parent/guardian to inform the service as soon as practicable if the child is infected with any of the diseases listed in the table, or has been in contact with an infected person. It should be noted that in cases of diphtheria, typhoid and paratyphoid fever, exclusion and determination of recovery will be matters for the municipal medical officer of health
- Patients or contacts shall be prevented from attending OSHC unless they comply with the conditions prescribed in the table.
- It should be noted that during the outbreaks of diseases prescribed in table the service is to direct parents/guardians of vulnerable students to keep them at home for the recommended period.

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

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