

Southern Minnesota Crisis Nursery

Sick Care Policy

A child with any of the following symptoms or conditions is a “sick child” and **must be excluded** from Southern Minnesota Crisis Nursery (SMNCN), which is not a center licensed to operate a sick care program. If the child becomes sick while at SMNCN, the child must be isolated from the other children and parents will be called at the discretion of SMNCN staff. The license holder must exclude a child:

- A. With a reportable illness or condition as specified in part 4605.7040 that the commissioner of health determines to be contagious and a physician determines has not had sufficient treatment to reduce the health risk to others (see attached);
 - 1. Children with Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, HIV, Influenza (if treatment has started), Kawasaki disease, Lyme disease, Reye Syndrome, syphilis and latent TB may be able to receive services through SMNCN, based on the discretion of SMNCN staff.
- B. With chicken pox until the child is no longer infectious or until lesions are crusted over;
- C. Who has a bacterial infection such as streptococcal pharyngitis or impetigo and has not completed 24 hours of antimicrobial therapy
- D. Who has unexplained lethargy
- E. Who has ringworm or scabies that is untreated and contagious to others;
- F. Who is an infant-6 months or younger and has 100 degree Fahrenheit axillary temperature or higher, or who is 6 months or older and has 102 degree Fahrenheit axillary temperature or higher, both of undiagnosed origin and before fever reducing medication was given
- G. Who has any respiratory distress
- H. Who requires more care than the program staff can provide without compromising the health and safety of other children in care. (This will be determined by the SMNCN staff in its sole discretion. The SMNCN must be able to maintain adequate staff ratios and distribution for all children.)