

Disease and Symptom Exclusion Recommendations

Disease/Symptom	Exclusion/Readmit
Athlete's Foot	No exclusion necessary, keep shoes and socks on for all activities
Diarrhea (2 or more loose or watery stools) or vomiting	Diarrhea-free for 24 hours without the aid of medication; no vomiting for 24 hours
E. Coli (Shiga Toxin–producing E. Coli including E. Coli 0157:H7 and 026)	<i>Daycare Only:</i> Exclude until two negative stool cultures are obtained (must be 24 hours apart and 48 hours after discontinuation of antibiotics) <i>School:</i> Diarrhea-free for 24 hours without the aid of medication
Eyes inflamed with purulent discharge	No exclusion. If bacterial conjunctivitis, allowed to remain in school once any prescribed therapy is implemented
Fever with or without other symptoms	Fever-free for 24 hours without the aid of medication
Fifth Disease	Exclude until fever-free for 24 hours, no longer considered contagious once rash has appeared
Hand, Foot, and Mouth Disease (HFMD)	Exclude until fever-free for 24 hours without the aid of medication and no open lesions
Impetigo	Exclude until treated for 24 hours with antibiotic; or physician note
Influenza	<i>Physician diagnosed:</i> Excluded for 7 days following onset of illness or duration of illness if the case is immune-compromised
Measles	Exclude for 4 days after onset of rash; susceptible contacts that are not age appropriately vaccinated within 72 hours of first exposure shall be excluded for 21 days following the last exposure to an infectious case
MRSA	If lesions can be covered, then no exclusion; if lesions cannot be covered, exclude until lesions have crusted over
Mononucleosis	Fever-free for 24 hours
Mumps	Exclude for 5 days from onset of parotitis; susceptible contacts shall be excluded from day 12 to day 25 after exposure to an infectious case
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	Exclude until completion of appropriate antibiotic therapy (susceptible contacts no longer need to be excluded, only monitored)
Pinworms	No exclusion, practice good hand hygiene
Rash	Consider exclusion pending a physician evaluation
Ringworm	Exclude until after treatment has started; no activities involving skin-to-skin contact until lesions are completely healed.
Rubella (German measles)	Exclude for 7 days following onset of rash; susceptible contacts shall be excluded for 21 days following last exposure to a case
Scabies	Exclude until after treatment with an approved anti-parasitic
Shigellosis	<i>Daycare Only:</i> Exclude until one negative stool culture is obtained (collected 48 hours after discontinuation of antibiotics) <i>School:</i> Diarrhea-free for 24 hours without the aid of medication
Shingles	If lesions can be covered, then no exclusion; if lesions cannot be covered, exclude until lesions have crusted over.
Streptococcal disease (scarlet fever and streptococcal sore throat)	Exclude for 24 hours following initiation of antimicrobial therapy; if not receiving therapy exclude for 10 days following onset of symptoms
Varicella	Exclude for 6 days or until all lesions have formed scabs or crusted over (whichever comes first); each susceptible contact not age appropriately vaccinated within 72 hours of first exposure shall be excluded for 21 days from the last exposure to an infectious case

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