



Communicable Disease Prevention and Control
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EXPOSURE NOTICE

Dear Parents:

On _____ your child may have been exposed to the communicable disease or condition that is listed below. The information provided does not replace talking with your healthcare provider if your child is ill. ***If your child has symptoms, please seek diagnosis and treatment from your healthcare provider.***

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE/CONDITION

CHICKENPOX: A viral illness with a rash and fever.

What are the symptoms? Fever and an itchy rash with small blisters that may look like dew drops on a rose petal.

How is it spread? Chickenpox is easily spread from person to person, either by touching the blisters of an infected person, or by breathing in air near an infected person. People who have been vaccinated are less likely to become ill or may have only mild illness.

When do symptoms start? 10 to 21 days after exposure to the virus.

Do I need to keep my child home? Yes.

When can my child return to school/childcare? Your child can return when all blisters have scabs (this commonly occurs after approximately 5 days).