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| Name of Policy: | **Sick Child Policy** |
| Name of Setting: | **Busy Bees Pre-School** |
| Overall Aim of Statement: | To ensure the health and well being of the children and to prevent the spread of disease. |
| Specific Objectives/ Statements and Procedures for how you will achieve each one: | * Parents are asked to keep their children at home if they have any infection, and to inform the pre-school as to the nature of the infection so that the pre-school can alert other parents and make careful observations of any child who seems unwell.
* Parents are asked not to bring into the pre-school any child who has been vomiting or had diarrhoea until at least 48 hours has elapsed since the last attack.
* If child becomes ill at the setting, the staff will alert the parent or nominated carer to request immediate pick up. Staff will wait quietly with the child until the parent arrives.
* The pre-school will put up notices of any circulating illness i.e. chicken pox to notify parents.
* If there is a case of a Notifiable disease chair will notify Local Environmental Health Officer – Environmental Health also needs to be notified if there are two or more cases of an illness or outbreak of an infectious disease (within the same time period). Chair to inform Ofsted.
* Ofsted will be informed if more than two cases of food poisoning.
* If the child of pre-school staff are unwell, the children will not accompany their parents/carers to work in the pre-school
* Cuts or open sores, whether on adults or children, will be covered with sticking plaster or other dressing.

**Staff procedure for cleaning area after case of vomiting**:* Alert other members of staff to monitor the area
* Put on disposable apron and gloves
* Get vomit bucket from cleaning cupboard and sprinkle some sawdust over the vomit
* Use vomit dustpan and brush to sweep up vomit and sawdust
* Place sweepings in a carrier bag and put the bag in the locked cleaning cupboard until the end of the session then discard
* Mop area using toilet mop and then discard the mophead.
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| Useful websites | [www.dh.gov.uk](http://www.dh.gov.uk) [www.hpa.org.uk](http://www.hpa.org.uk) [www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk)  |
| References to other relevant policies: |  |
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