Public Health Spring Toolkit

Early Years & Childcare Settings

Keeping children healthy and communities safe

Health Protection support

Infectious diseases such as diarrhoea and vomiting, scarlet fever, chickenpox, COVID-19 and flu continue to affect our staff, children and communities. If you are concerned or have multiple cases in your setting, please get in touch with Mark or Chris:

> **East Riding of Yorkshire Council Education Public Health Team**

Email: cfsinfo@eastriding.gov.uk or call: (01482) 392419

Weekdays 7am - 5pm

You can find more information on the FISH website.

Reporting notifiable diseases

Please fill in the East Riding Public Health form to report cases of notifiable diseases in your setting.

All suspected cases of infectious diseases linked to your setting (staff and children) should be reported. This helps the local Health Protection team to detect possible outbreaks of disease rapidly and keep communities safe.

A list of notifiable diseases can be found here. It includes infections such as: scarlet fever, COVID-19, food poisoning, measles, flu and many more.

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Let's keep infections out...

Wash hands: Please promote regular hand-washing with soap and warm water. Click here for useful posters.

Stay at home: Children who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. For current national guidance read Living with COVID-19 guidance.

Keep settings clean: Enhanced cleaning can help to reduce the risk of transmission. Increased cleaning is recommended in childcare settings. Please find further cleaning information here.

Immunisations and vaccinations

When a new child starts attending the setting, it is important to check if they have had all their routine vaccinations. Please encourage parents/carers to engage with their local GP to check their vaccination status.

Please continue to promote immunisation as this is a key intervention to protect and help give children the best start in life: NHS vaccinations and when to have them - NHS (www.nhs.uk) As always, it is important that eligible staff and children have their flu and COVID-19 vaccines.

Flu vaccine - NHS (www.nhs.uk) Coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccine - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

