

Periods of Exclusion

Children with the following diseases should remain at home and away from others:

Disease

Chickenpox (varicella)	Until well enough to participate in all activities regardless of the state of the rash.
Diarrhea	Daycare: Until 24 hours after diarrhea stops * Schools: Until diarrhea stops * * Depending on the cause, the Health Department may require a longer period of exclusion.
Fifth's Disease (parvovirus)	No exclusion. Children well enough to participate in all activities can attend school.
Impetigo	Until the antibiotic prescribed by a doctor has been taken for at least 1 full day.
Measles (rubeola)	For at least 4 days after the rash begins.
Mumps	For at least 9 days after the swollen glands first appear.
Pink-eye, bacterial (conjunctivitis)	Until the antibiotic prescribed by a doctor has been taken for at least 1 full day.
Ringworm	Until treatment has started.
Rubella (German Measles)	Until at least 7 days after the rash first appears.
Scarlet Fever	Until antibiotic treatment prescribed by a doctor has been taken for 1 full day.
Strep Throat	Until antibiotic treatment prescribed by a doctor has been taken for 1 full day.
Whooping Cough (pertussis)	Until antibiotic treatment has been taken for at least 5 full days. If no treatment is given, exclusion for 3 weeks from when the cough began.

Source: Canadian Paediatric Society

If you suspect your child has a communicable disease that may spread to others:

- Keep your child at home and away from others
- Contact your family doctor for a diagnosis

Your doctor will advise you about care and treatment when a communicable disease is diagnosed.