

Huron Playschool Co-operative

Outbreak Action Plan

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Information on ill children and staff should be logged in the communication book on a daily basis.

Do we have an outbreak?

If we have 2 or more cases of enteric illness in Playschool within a 24 hour period, we have an outbreak, and the Director/Teacher will report the outbreak to Toronto Public Health (TPH). TPH will give us an outbreak number and ask for the Playschool to start recording cases on a line list. Line lists are sent to TPH by email. All families will be informed of the outbreak by email, and a notice will be posted on the entry door to Playschool to alert visitors.

Implement Outbreak Control Measures

- * Enhance hand hygiene.
- * Isolate ill children until picked up by parent/guardian.
- * Exclude children and staff and volunteers and duty parents until 48 hours symptom free.
- * Stop sensory play and stop children from passing or sharing food items.
- * Increase frequency of cleaning and disinfection.
- * Reinforce proper glove use.
- * No new admissions during outbreaks (unless there is written parental consent).
- * Save hazardous food samples (where possible).

Next Steps

- * TPH may ask Playschool and/or parents to collect stool samples.
- * Daily monitoring and updating the line list is essential.
- * TPH will confirm when the outbreak is over (normally 5 days with no new cases).