

## 4.6 Sickness

### 1. Changes from last issue

### 2. Objective

At Aberdeenshire Holiday Activities Camp we promote the good health of all children attending. To help keep children healthy and minimise infection, we do not expect children to attend camp if they are unwell. If a child is unwell it is in their best interest to be in a home environment with adults they know well rather than at camp with their peers.

### 3. If A child becomes ill during camp

- If a child becomes ill during the camp day, the leader will contact their parent(s) and ask them to pick up their child as soon as possible. During this time we care for the child in a quiet, calm area with a leader, wherever possible.
- Should a child have an infectious disease, such as sickness and diarrhoea, they must not return to camp until they have been clear for at least 48 hours.
- Children displaying symptoms of Covid should be tested before coming to camp and kept off if positive.
- We have the right to refuse admission to a child who is unwell. This decision will be taken by the manager on duty and is non-negotiable.
- No refunds will be given for children leaving camp due to sickness.

### 4. Escorting Children to Hospital

- If the sickness is severe, a member of staff should call for an ambulance immediately whilst still ensuring that the child is continued to be comforted and there is adequate staff deployment to care for the remaining children. This may mean temporarily grouping the children together. DO NOT attempt to transport the sick child in your own vehicle.
- Whilst waiting for the ambulance, then the parents should be contacted to meet them at the hospital.
- The most appropriate member of staff must accompany the child and collect together registration forms, relevant medication sheets and medication. The Duty Officer must also be informed immediately.
- Support will be offered to all children and employees after any incidents.