

# *How We Protect Minors from Sickness*

1. First Aid Kits are available to all classrooms (and in the nursery). The following are recommended contents for First aid Kits: disposable latex gloves, disinfectant towelette packets or alcohol pads, Band aids, 4" X 4" gauze pads, Micro shield CPR mask, "Bio-Hazard" disposal bags, anti-bacterial ointment, burn cream.
2. The Extremely Clean Policy:
  - ✓ All rooms are kept sanitary
  - ✓ All toys in the nursery are sanitized regularly with bleach or equivalent bacteria killing agent (no item that has been in a kid's mouth is allowed to be re-used until sanitized).
  - ✓ No sharing of personal items is allowed between people (things like bottles).
  - ✓ All trashcans have liners and are regularly sanitized.
  - ✓ Door knobs, switches and other germ-carrying parts of the facility are regularly cleaned with a sanitizing agent.
3. Our "Disease Control Policy:"
  - All hands must be washed after handling any bodily fluids and after use of the bathroom and before food preparation.
  - All bodily fluids are to be disposed of properly. Blood, feces, urine and infected serum must be sealed in bio-hazard bags or separate disposal bags.
  - Gloves must be worn when handling bodily fluids or when changing diapers.
  - Parents must inform teachers if their minor has any communicable illness to ensure the proper care is given to all.
4. Kleenex boxes are in every room to prevent the spread of pathogens from mucous membranes via air and skin contact.
5. Our policy on proper outdoor clothing:

Because minors are more susceptible to illnesses in cold weather, it is our policy that they must wear adequate coats, jackets, gloves, and boots (in snow). If this becomes a problem, the parents and a ministry leader should come together for clarification. Also since sunburns are a risk factor, it is our policy to encourage adequate clothing, and use of protective sunscreen.
6. Our Food Policy: Since food can carry pathogens, no sharing of food will be allowed. All food should be prepared under the consideration of FDA regulations and under recommendations of our insurance company.
7. Our "Sick Policy." All minors with the following symptoms are not permitted to attend classes: a temperature above 99.6(orally), vomiting, frequent & serious coughing or frequent & serious sneezing, diarrhea, runny nose with green mucous, or chicken pox sores that have not dried. Sicknesses, fungi, conditions, or parasites that are considered contagious warrant staying home.
8. The final preventative measure that helps keep our minors healthy is that each minor's health is regularly prayed for.

(Please note)

(Nothing we as a church do can replace necessary preventative measures like daily hygiene and a proper diet. Also note that info on the chemicals used in cleaning is available to anyone curious about allergies.)