



Medicines Policy

Rationale

I am committed to ensuring that children with short or long-term medical conditions receive the care and medication needed for them to participate in the setting if they are well enough to attend. To achieve this, I am willing to administer medication providing I have the medical or technical knowledge to do so and have written parental permission.

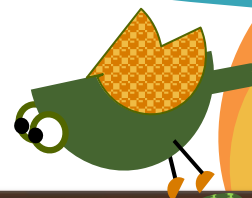
Procedure

Medicines will not normally be administered unless a doctor, dentist, nurse, or pharmacist has prescribed them for the child. I will only administer prescribed medicine for the child it is prescribed for. I will not administer any medication containing aspirin unless a doctor has prescribed it.

Non-prescription medication may be given with prior written permission from parents/carers when there is a health reason to do so. For non-prescription medication named on the consent form, you will be contacted before I administer the medicine to your child.

All medication must be supplied in the original packaging and clearly labelled with your child's name and will be stored according to product instructions.

The first dose of each medicine should always be given at home with sufficient time to observe the child's responses to the medicine before the child is brought to my setting.



Where possible, please try to arrange that medication will only be administered at home before and after attending my setting, please make me aware if your child has had medication before coming to my setting and I will record this and if they have any other medication while in my setting this will also be recorded. I also have record forms for each child, so I am aware of any needs of medication for your child. Where this isn't possible, I will obtain written permission for each and every medicine including dosage from parents/carers before any medication is given. Parents/carers will be informed when medication has been administered and asked to sign medication records on the day the medication is given or as soon as reasonably practicable.

Before any trip or outing I will always make the parent/carer aware. This will also include how the medication will be stored and administered on the outing, I will keep a record on how the medication will be stored and who can administer the medication and any other relevant details. Keeping this information in the child's file ensures transparency and consistency. I will always ask for written consent from parents or carers for administering medication during outings. Parents should provide the necessary medication, and I will follow the instructions provided. Also making sure all children are supervised while taking medication.

I also require a Care plan for children with extensive needs/ long term needs.