

# Sick Child Procedure

## Sick Child on arrival Procedure

If a child shows signs or symptoms of illness on arrival or a parent expresses concerns about a child's well being on arrival:

**Staff should endeavour to carry out the following: -**

- Staff should find out further information from parents about the child's symptoms.
- Staff should refer any concerns about a child's health to the Nursery Manager/Person in Charge **before** the child is left in the care of the Nursery.
- The Nursery Manager/Person in Charge should refer to **(Nursery Exclusion Procedure for Illness/Communicable Diseases Policy)** and take appropriate action to exclude the child if necessary.

## Sick Child during the Nursery Day Procedure

- If a child becomes unwell during the nursery day staff need to adopt the following procedure:-
- Staff must inform Nursery Manager/Person in Charge of their concerns regarding a child's health.
- The Nursery Manager/Person in Charge will decide what action, if any, needs to be taken.
- Fill in illness form and inform parents.

Where every attempt has been made to contact parents and/or emergency contact numbers and the child cannot be removed from the premises, the child should be assessed regarding infection risks to other staff and children. Staff should attempt to isolate an infectious child ensuring the child is comforted until parents can be located.