



## **KIDWORKS ILLNESS POLICY: For all KidWorks staff and guests**

### A staff member or client may be sent home if he/she:

1. Appears ill and is unable to participate in therapy.
2. Is suspected of having a contagious disease/condition. (Ex: hand foot and mouth, RSV, Flu, Covid-19, Strep, Stomach bug, pink eye)
3. Sustains an injury which needs medical attention or close observation.
4. Has active head lice.
5. Exhibited vomiting or diarrhea.
6. (Child) Does not have "good energy" based on caregiver and therapist observation
7. Has a fever of 100.4 or greater or had the fever within the last 24 hours.
  - A low grade fever (99.5-100.3) within the past 24 hours warrants monitoring and taking precautions.

### A staff member or client may return to KidWorks when he/she:

1. Has been fever free for 24 hours without medication
2. Has been free of vomiting and diarrhea for 48 hours without medication.
3. Has treated active head lice and eggs, and they are no longer present.

Doctor's Note- A staff member or caregiver may supply a doctor's note in order to verify their ability to participate in therapy.

Masks- Masks are used as a safety measure in order to minimize exposure to all illnesses for KidWorks staff and guests. Staff and caregivers may request for masks to be worn by others at any time.

Therapy session modifications- Temporary, precautionary measures are at the therapist's discretion at all times. The therapist may recommend masking, telehealth, outdoor sessions, cancellation, or other modifications in order to ensure the health and safety of all.

Lice- If head lice or eggs are visible, the affected person must go home immediately. The therapist or other KidWorks staff member will make note of the incident and post the KidWorks Lice Notification flyer on the front and back door entrances. Contaminated clinic surfaces must be cleaned. If the office receives a cancellation from a client's parent due to lice, clinic surfaces do not need to be cleaned.