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# COMMON ILLNESSES AMONG CHILDREN IN CHILDCARE FACILITIES

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  - n Organisms and antibiotics
  - n Fever



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## § Additional infections

- n Bacterial diarrhea
- n Pertussis
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- n Urinary tract infection
- n Herpangina
- n Roseola



# Themes

n Symptoms

n Causes

n Organism

n Transmission

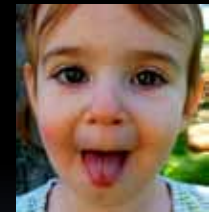
n Infectiousness

n Modes of spread

n Prevention

n Treatments

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# Symptoms

- n What are the child's symptoms?
- n What is the risk for serious illness?

# Causes/Organisms

- n What organisms usually cause this illness?



# Transmission

n Infectiousness

n Does it spread easily?

n Timing

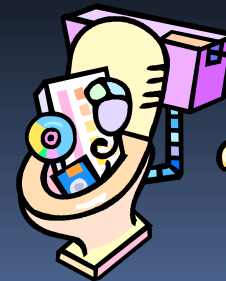
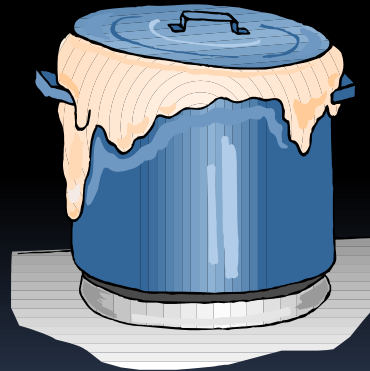
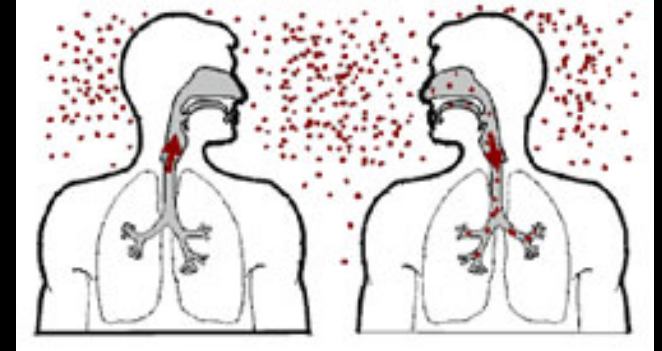
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1. Contact

2. Droplet

3. Airborne

4. Bloodborne



# Modes of transmission

## 1. Contact

n Hands!, toys, doorknobs

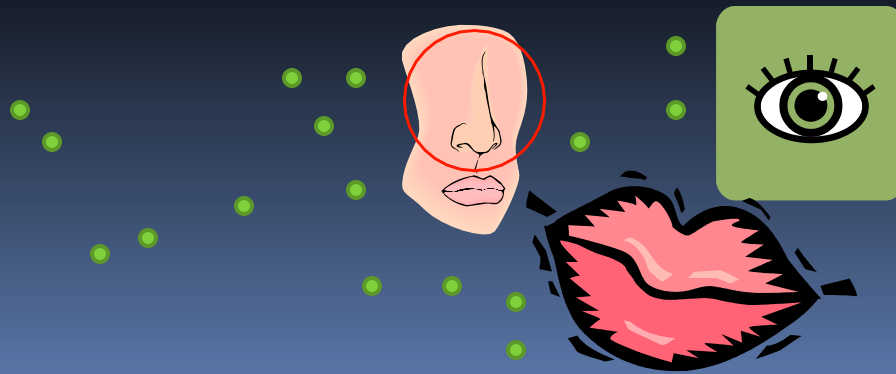
n Colds, Rotavirus, hepatitis A, Salmonella, Tinea



## 2. Droplet

n Cough, sneeze => eyes, nose, mouth

n Influenza, RSV, pertussis, strep throat

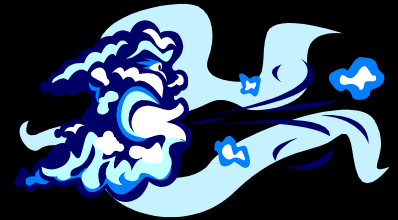




# Modes of transmission

## 3. Airborne

n Chicken pox, measles, tuberculosis



## 4. Bloodborne

n HIV, hepatitis B, C



# Prevention/Control



n How can the illness be prevented?

n Immunizations

n Best protection against preventable illness

n Especially important in childcare



n How can we keep the illness from spreading?

n Handwashing/alcohol-based hand sanitizer!!!

n Diaper/toileting hygiene

n Cleaning surfaces


n Universal/Standard precautions


n Immunizations



# Recommended Immunization Schedule 0-6 years, U.S. - 2011

Vaccine ▼	Age ►	Birth	1 month	2 months	4 months	6 months	12 months	15 months	18 months	19-23 months	2-3 years	4-6 years
Hepatitis B <sup>1</sup>		HepB	HepB			HepB						
Rotavirus <sup>2</sup>				RV	RV	RV <sup>2</sup>						
Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis <sup>3</sup>				DTaP	DTaP	DTaP	see footnote <sup>3</sup>	DTaP				DTaP
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b <sup>4</sup>				Hib	Hib	Hib <sup>4</sup>	Hib					
Pneumococcal <sup>5</sup>				PCV	PCV	PCV	PCV				PPSV	
Inactivated Poliovirus <sup>4</sup>				IPV	IPV	IPV						IPV
Influenza <sup>7</sup>						Influenza (Yearly)						
Measles, Mumps, Rubella <sup>8</sup>							MMR			see footnote <sup>8</sup>		MMR
Varicella <sup>9</sup>							Varicella			see footnote <sup>9</sup>		Varicella
Hepatitis A <sup>10</sup>							HepA (2 doses)				HepA Series	
Meningococcal <sup>11</sup>												MCV4

  
Range of recommended ages for all children

  
Range of recommended ages for certain high-risk groups

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/schedules/child-schedule.htm>

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# Exclusion/Return

- § Contagious
- § Unable to participate in activities
- § Care for other children would be compromised
- § Fever with behavior change
- § Looks or acts very ill
- n When can the child return?



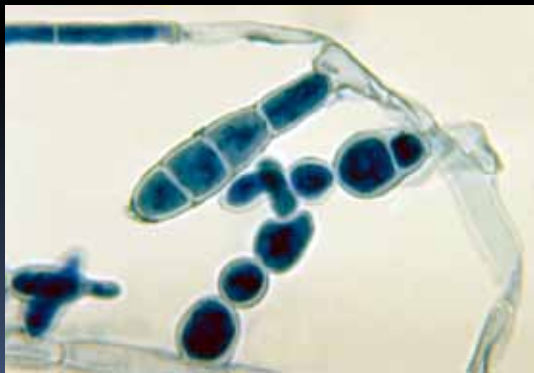
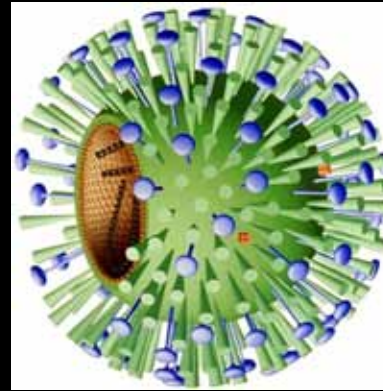
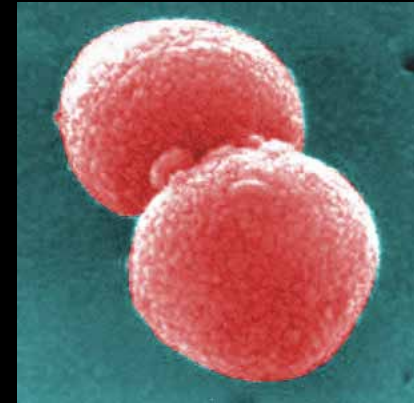
# Types of infectious organisms

n Bacteria:

§ Virus

§ Fungus

§ Parasites



# Treatments



## § Virus treatments

- n Nonspecific: supportive care, time
- n Antibiotics don't work
- n Specific treatments
  - n Anti-retrovirals
  - n Interferon

## n Bacteria sometimes respond to antibiotics

- n Amoxicillin, Azithromycin
- n Side effects
  - n Mild/moderate: rash, diarrhea
  - n Severe: allergy/shock
  - n Antibiotic resistance\*\*



# Antibiotic-resistant Bacteria

n Induced by antibiotic exposure:

n More severe illness

n Longer illness

n Limited treatment options

§ Resistant bacteria in future:

n Child

n Societal

§ Lagging antibiotic development

§ Judicious use prolongs antibiotic usefulness



# Common illnesses

n Bacteria: Antibiotics sometimes helpful

n Middle ear infections

n Sinus infections

n Skin infections

n Impetigo, cellulitis, abscess, (MRSA)

n Streptococcal pharyngitis

§ Virus: Antibiotics not helpful

n Usually self-limited

n Improvement within 7-10 days

n Colds, coughs, runny nose

n Bronchiolitis

n Vomiting, diarrhea

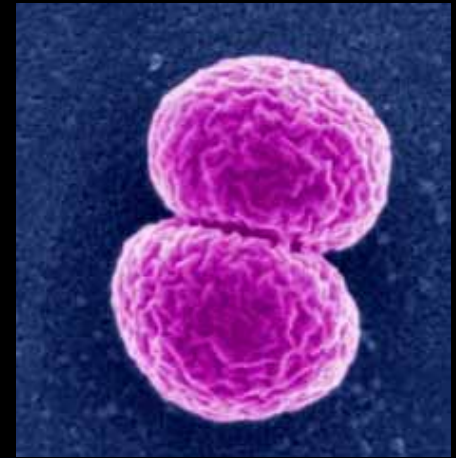
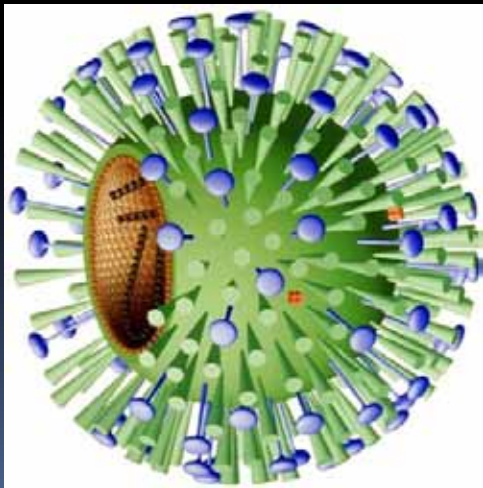
n Simple conjunctivitis



# More illnesses

## Bacteria

- n Bacterial diarrhea
  - n Salmonella
  - n Shigella
- n Pertussis
- n Urinary Tract Infection



## Virus

- n Influenza
- n Parvovirus b19
- n Hepatitis
  - n A
  - n B
  - n C
- n Herpes
- n Enterovirus

# Fever

## n Definition

- n 100° F (37.8 ° C) axillary
- n 101 ° F (38.3 ° C) oral, ear
- n 102 ° F (38.9 ° C) rectal

## n Prompt medical evaluation <4-6 mo (<2 mo. urgent)

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- n 101 ° F (38.3 ° C) rectal



# Fever

- n Usually self-limited virus
  - n Immunized child without local symptoms
- n Not harmful by itself
  - n Some children prone to febrile seizures, kidney/bladder infections
  - n Medical care if persistent or severe symptoms
- n Care of underlying illness
- n Fluids
- n Analgesics (not aspirin)
  - n Acetaminophen
  - n Ibuprofen >6 months



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# Bacterial diarrhea: Salmonella

- n Much rarer than viral gastroenteritis
- n Highest attack rate 1-4 years of age
- n Reportable, health department involvement
- n Fever, blood and/or mucous in stool
- n Salmonella Typhi most severe
  - n Can be chronic carrier
- n Blood, bone infections more rare
- n Infected animal product or human
  - n Poultry, beef, eggs
  - n Pet reptiles
- n Hand/mouth/food/fecal contamination
- n Fluids, hydration



# Bacterial diarrhea: Salmonella

- n Antibiotic treatment

- n Does not usually shorten illness

- n Can prolong shedding

- n Not indicated unless <3 month or high risk of invasive disease

- n Exclude until general exclusions not met

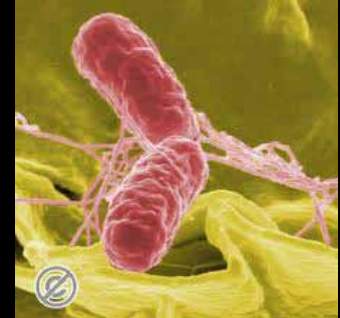
- n Frequency, severity of diarrhea

- n Prevention/Control

- n Reportable

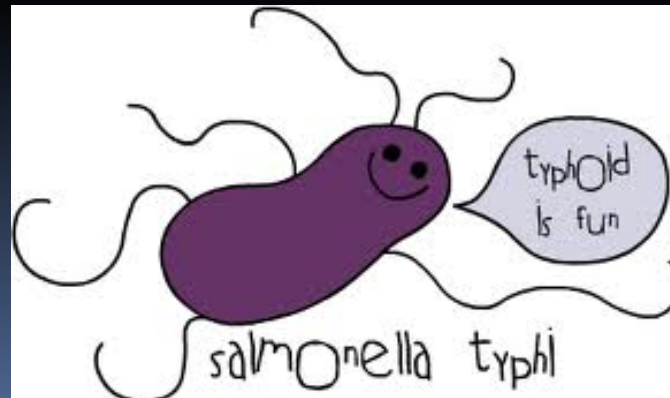
- n Meticulous food prep, diapering, handwashing

- n Typhoid vaccine for travel >2 years, sometimes



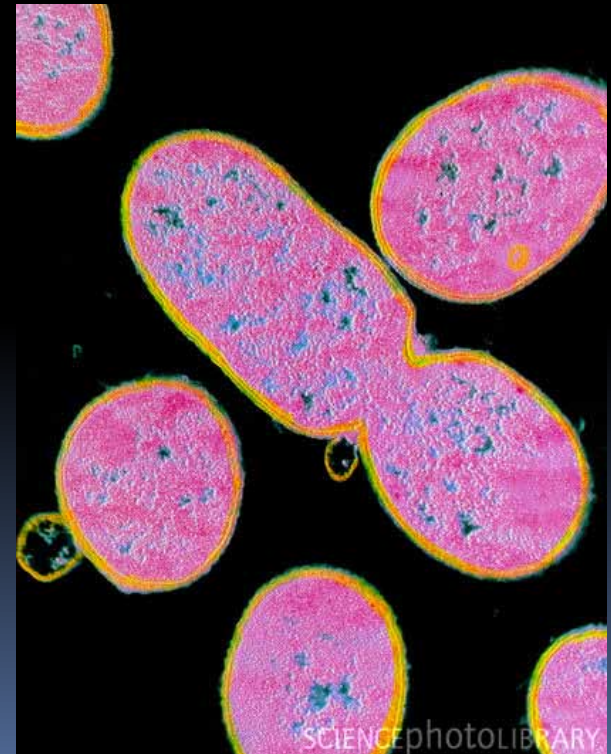
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- n Salmonella serotype Typhi
  - n Antibiotics
  - n Culture everyone
  - n Return:
    - n Young children: 3 negative stool cultures , 24 hours apart
    - n  $\geq 5$  years: no diarrhea  $>24$  hours
  - n Special rules for staff and food handlers



# Bacterial diarrhea: *Shigella*

- n Fecal contamination (direct, indirect), houseflies
- n Contaminated food or water
- n +/-Fever, watery or blood and/or mucous in stool
- n Treatment:
  - n Hydration
  - n +/- Antibiotics
  - n Shed organism up to one week, usually





# Bacterial diarrhea: Shigella

## n Control

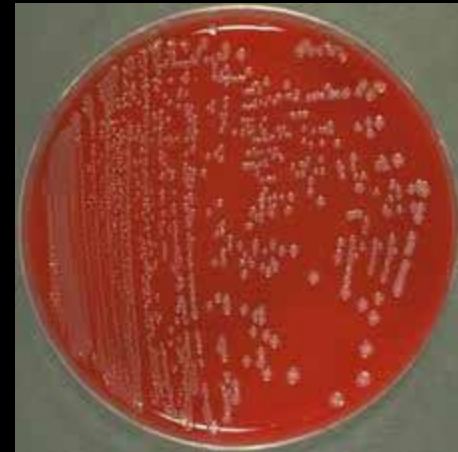
- n Reportable, health department involvement
- n Meticulous hand hygiene

## n Exclude until

- n No diarrhea >24 hours
- n 2 negative stool cultures
  - n 24 hours apart
- n Special rules for food handlers

## n Prevention

- n Meticulous food prep, diapering, handwashing



# Bacterial diarrhea

## Toxin-producing E coli

- n Milder strains

- n Travelers' Diarrhea

- n Usually self-limited

- n More invasive strains

- n Reportable

- n Shigella-like illness

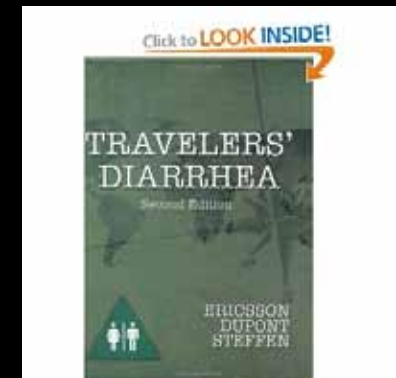
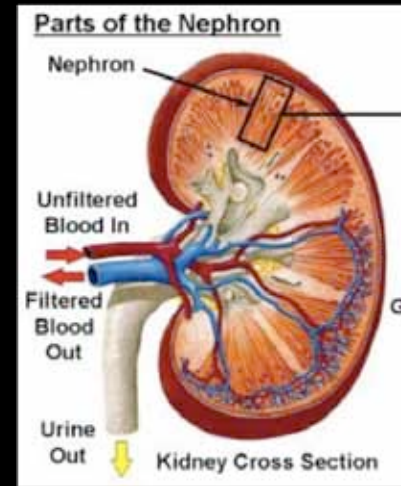
- n Hemolytic-uremic syndrome

- n Similar treatment, control to Shigella

- n Hand/mouth/food/fecal contamination

- n Prevention

- n Meticulous diapering and hand washing



## Audience question #1

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# Pertussis whooping cough

- § Bacteria
- § Catarrhal phase (cold symptoms)
- § Severe persistent cough
  - n Paroxysms : inspiratory whoop
- § Improves over weeks to months
  - n Infants under 6 months
    - n Gagging, gasping, apnea
    - n Complications
      - n Pneumonia, seizures, death



# Pertussis whooping cough

- § Antibiotics prevent spread
- § Exclude until 5 days of antibiotics
- § Control
  - n Reportable
  - n Prophylactic antibiotics to family, children, staff
- § Prevention
  - n Immunize adults and children



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# Influenza

- n Virus: Influenza A (includes H1N1), B
- n High fever, chills, headache, malaise, cough, congestion
- n Can be severe complications
  - n Hospitalization, wheezing, pneumonia, encephalitis, myocarditis, death
- n Droplet spread (cough, sneeze)
- n Infectious before symptoms, highly contagious, especially during fever
- n Seasonal epidemics with new strains

# Influenza

## § Treatment

- n Supportive
- n Antivirals sometimes used >1 year
  - n Limited effectiveness, side effects

## n Control

- n Stay home during flu season with respiratory illness
  - n Until no fever for 24 hours
- n Cough, sneeze into a tissue or your arm
- n Handwashing

## § Prevention

- n Immunization: new each year, booster 1<sup>st</sup> year <age 9
  - n >6 months of age
  - n Contraindication: severe egg allergy, shock, diffuse hives



## Audience question #2

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# Parvovirus b19

## Fifth disease

n Virus:

- n Child looks well
- n Slapped cheek rash
- n Lacy reticular rash
- n +/- fever
- n +/- joint pain



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# Parvovirus b19

## Fifth disease

- § Not contagious once rash appears
- § Rash can last months
- § +/- more severe in
  - n Congenital anemias
  - n Pregnancy, early
- § 50-90% adults immune
- § Handwashing



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# Hepatitis

## Hepatitis A virus

- § Fever, malaise, nausea, jaundice
- § Younger children with milder illness or no symptoms
- § Fecal-oral transmission
- § Most contagious 1-2 weeks before jaundice
- § Treatment: supportive
- § Prevention/control
  - n Exclude for 1 week after onset of illness
  - n Immunization



# Hepatitis

## Hepatitis B virus

§ Spectrum of symptoms:

§ Malaise, nausea

§ jaundice, joint pain, rash

§ Fulminant hepatitis

§ Younger children with milder illness or no symptoms

§ Chronic infection:

§ Younger children: more risk

§ 90% infected newborns

§ 25-50% infected 1 - 5 yrs

§ 2-6% infected when older; 8% in some countries

§ Cirrhosis, cancer



# Hepatitis

## Hepatitis B virus

### § Transmission:

- n Blood and body fluid
  - n Blood exposure
  - n Sexual contact
  - n Needles
  - n Perinatally
  - n Prolonged household contact

### § Treatment: supportive

### § Control

- n Universal/standard precautions
- n Bleach

### § Immunization: childcare exposure rare



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# Hepatitis

## Hepatitis C virus

- n Symptoms like mild Hep B

- n Chronic infection

- n 50-60% infected children

- n 70-80% infected adults

- n 1.3% of U.S. population

- n Perinatal transmission 5-6%

- n Risk of cirrhosis, cancer

### § Treatment

- n Antivirals for chronic infection

- n Difficult

- n Effective in ~50%

### § Control

- n Universal/standard precautions



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## Audience question #3

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# Urinary tract infection

- n Bladder or kidney infection
  - n Fever, abdominal pain
  - n Pain with urination, urinary frequency, accidents
  - n Usually bacterial
- n Most frequent occult pediatric bacterial infection
  - n Up to 5% of infants with unexplained fever
  - n More common in girls and uncircumcised boys
- § Diagnosed with catheterized urinalysis and culture in non-toilet trained children
- § Treatment
  - n Antibiotics
- § Contagious: no
- § Standard exclusions apply



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# Herpangi na



## § Herpes simplex virus Type 1

- n Newborn infection can be severe
- n Usually no symptoms in older children
- n Gingivostomatitis
- n Fever, irritability
- n Contagious for ~1 week
- n Persists in latent form: cold sores
- n Contact with secretions
- n Antivirals not usually used for uncomplicated cases

# Herpangi na

## § Enterovirus

- n Coxsackie virus: Hand Foot Mouth
- n Seasonal epidemics
- n Respiratory and fecal/oral spread

## § Treatment: supportive, hydration

## § Exclusions

- n Mouth sores with drooling

## § Prevention

## § Hand hygiene

## § No sharing utensils

## § Surface disinfection



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# Roseola

## Human Herpesvirus 6

- n Peak between 6-24 mo.
- n Virtually all children have it by age 4
- § Contagious before symptoms
- n High fever (39.5° C, 103° F)
- n Respiratory congestion, red eardrums
- n Irritability, febrile seizures, rare encephalitis
- n Diffuse pink blanching rash once fever resolves





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# Roseola

## Human Herpesvirus 6

- n Supportive treatment
- n Feel better once rash appears
- n Transmission: secretions
- n Standard exclusions



# Summary

- n Most childhood infections
  - n Mild, self-limiting
  - n With supportive care, most children can participate in childcare
    - n Exclusion policies for contagion, severe illness, conditions precluding participation
- § Bacteria can be antibiotic-responsive
- § Viruses don't respond to antibiotics
  - n Antibiotics don't reduce symptoms, or shorten illness/contagion
- § Judicious antibiotic use
  - n Minimize future resistance
- § Control
  - n Immunizations
  - n Handwashing
  - n Meticulous hygiene with diaper changing
- § Model policies, PA Code, guidelines: resources



# General Exclusions

- n Contagious
- n Unable to participate in activities
- n Care for other children compromised
- n Fever and behavior change
- n Looks or acts very ill

# Specific Exclusions

- n Rash with fever and behavior change
- n Mouth sores with drooling
- n Abdominal pain severe, persistent, or with fever
- n Vomiting >2ce in previous 24 hours
- n Diarrhea not contained in diaper, accidents, >2 above normal for that child
- n Blood or mucous in stool, unexplained
  - n Salmonella, shigella, toxin-producing E coli, Hep A
- n Active tuberculosis
- n Chicken pox until rash dry/crusted
- n Until treated:
  - n Impetigo, strep throat, pertussis, lice, scabies

# Resources

- § The Pennsylvania Code: Chapter 27. Communicable and Noncommunicable Diseases  
<http://www.pacode.com/secure/data/028/chapter27/chap27toc.html>
- § Childcare and Antibiotics. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Center for Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics at Penn, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. <http://www.med.upenn.edu/antibiotics/>
- § CDC Get Smart About Antibiotics.  
<http://www.cdc.gov/Features/GetSmart/>
- § *Caring for Our Children: National Health and Safety Performance Standards; Guidelines for Early Care and Education Programs*, 3rd Edition (CFOC3); National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care and Early Education. <http://nrckids.org/providers.htm>
- § Model Child Care Health Policies, Healthy Child Care Pennsylvania, The Early Childhood Education Linkage System (ECELS)  
<http://www.ecels-healthychildcarepa.org/content/MHP4thEd%20Total.pdf>

# Resources

- § Training of childcare centers on childhood illness and use of antibiotics, In: *Managing Infectious Diseases in Childcare and Schools, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed.* Susan S. Aronson, MD, Timothy R. Shope, MD, MPH, ed., 2009, American Academy of Pediatrics. ISBN 13: 978-1-58110-266-6
- § *2011 Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedules*, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services.. <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/schedules/child-schedule.htm>; <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/default.htm>
- § Guideline for Isolation Precautions: Preventing Transmission of Infectious Agents in Healthcare Settings  
<http://www.cdc.gov/hicpac/pdf/isolation/Isolation2007.pdf>
- § American Academy of Pediatrics' Red Book: Report of the Committee on Infectious Diseases (Red Book) Centers for Disease Control and Prevention <http://www.cdc.gov/handwashing/>

# Questions and Discussion

