



Ecclesall Kids Club

5.4 Administering Medication Policy

If a child attending Ecclesall Kids Club requires prescription medication of any kind, their parent or carer must complete the Consent section on the **Administration of Medication Record** In advance. Unfortunately, staff at the Club will be unable to administer any medication without prior written consent.

Ideally children should take their medication before arriving at the Club. If children carry their own “**in date**” medication (eg asthma inhalers), the club staff will keep the medication safe until is required, it must be easily accessible and locked away in the medication cupboard. Inhalers must be labelled with the child’s name. Secure fridges are provided in club to store medicines that need to be refrigerated.

The duty manger will record when the child self-medicates on the **Administration of Medication Record**.

Ecclesall Kids Club can only administer medication that has been prescribed by a doctor or dentist, nurse or pharmacist. However, if a medicine contains aspirin we can only administer it, if it has been prescribed by a doctor. All medication provided must have the prescription sticker attached which includes the child’s name, the date, the type of medicine and the dosage.

The duty manager will be responsible for administering medication or for witnessing self administration by the child. The duty manager will check that the medication is properly labelled, and will ensure that it is stored securely during the session.

Before any medication is given, the duty manger will:

- Check that the club has received written consent on the **Administration of Medication Record**.
- Ask another member of staff to witness that the correct dosage is given on the **Administration of Medication Record**.

When the medication has been administered, the duty manager must:

- Record all relevant details on the **Administration of Medication Record**
- Ask the child’s parents or carer to sign the form to acknowledge that the medication has been given on the **Administration of Medication Record**

When the medication is returned to the child’s parent or carer, the duty manager will record this on the **Administration of Medication Record**.

If a child refuses to take their medication, the staff will not force them to do so. The child’s parent or carer will be notified and the incident recorded in the **Administration of Medication Record**.



Specialist Training

Certain medications require specialist training before use, eg Epi Pens. If a child requires such medication the setting managers, involving the business manager will arrange appropriate training as soon as possible. It may be necessary to absent the child until such training has been undertaken. Where specialist training is required, only appropriately trained staff may administer the medication.

Changes to medication

A child's parent or carer must complete an **Administration of Medication Record Form** if there are any changes to a child's medication (including change of dosage or frequency).

Long term medical condition

If a child suffers from a long term medical condition the clubs Play managers/ deputies will ask the child's parents to provide a Care Plan from their doctor/ health professional, to clarify exactly what the symptoms and treatment are so that the club has a clear statement of the child's medical requirements. Alternatively the Club may ask the parent/carer for permission to enable school to share their copy of a Childs care plan. The club will ensure that all appropriate medications, medical records and administration of medical records are correctly completed and stored in line with GDPR and DPA requirements.

Non- prescription medication

Ecclesall Kids Club will not administer any medication unless it has been prescribed as stated above by a doctor, nurse, dentist or pharmacist.

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