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TO: Preschool and Day Care Center Providers  
Elementary and Secondary School Health Personnel, and Teachers  
Family Day Care Home Providers

FROM: Contra Costa Public Health Department  
Communicable Disease Control Section

SUBJECT: Communicable Disease Guide

This revised guide provides current information on selected communicable diseases and nuisance condition, commonly encountered in day care and school settings. Also included is information on immunizations for ages 0-18 for use by all school and day care providers. An appendix section has been added to this revised guide. Appendix A has fact sheets on communicable diseases, pandemic flu and head lice. Appendix B lists resources and phone numbers. Appendix C contains information on references used.

A list of reportable diseases is found in the front of the 'pink section' with a notation of how and to whom to report each disease. **Nuisance conditions, such as head lice and scabies, do not have to be reported to the Communicable Disease section.**

The Communicable Disease (CD) Control section of the Public Health Division is available as a resource for information about communicable diseases, disease outbreak control, immunization requirements and clinic schedules. The CD section should be consulted regarding exclusion criteria and clearance requirements for return to daycare/school/work. Selected pamphlets and fact sheets are also available upon request.

We hope that this revised guide continues to be useful to you and welcome your feedback on how the next version might be improved.

For reporting disease occurrences and general information, call the Communicable Disease Section (925) 313-6740. For immunization information, call (925) 313-6767. The county website at [www.cchealth.org](http://www.cchealth.org) provides current information on communicable diseases, including downloadable information on school preparedness for pandemic flu. The website also has information on county public health resources and links to other information resources.