



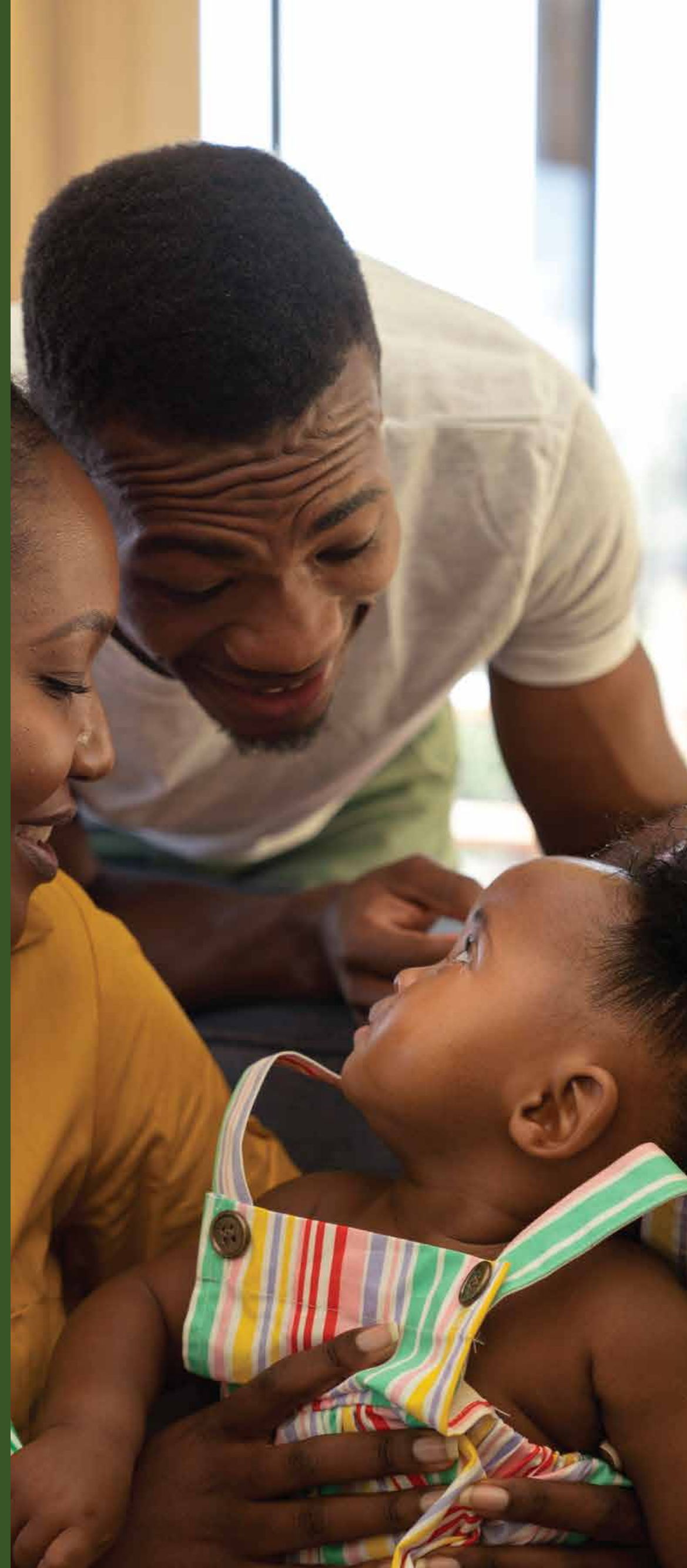
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Keeping **children** healthy is a partnership between families, the **Child Care Provider**, the children themselves and the child's **Health Care Provider**.



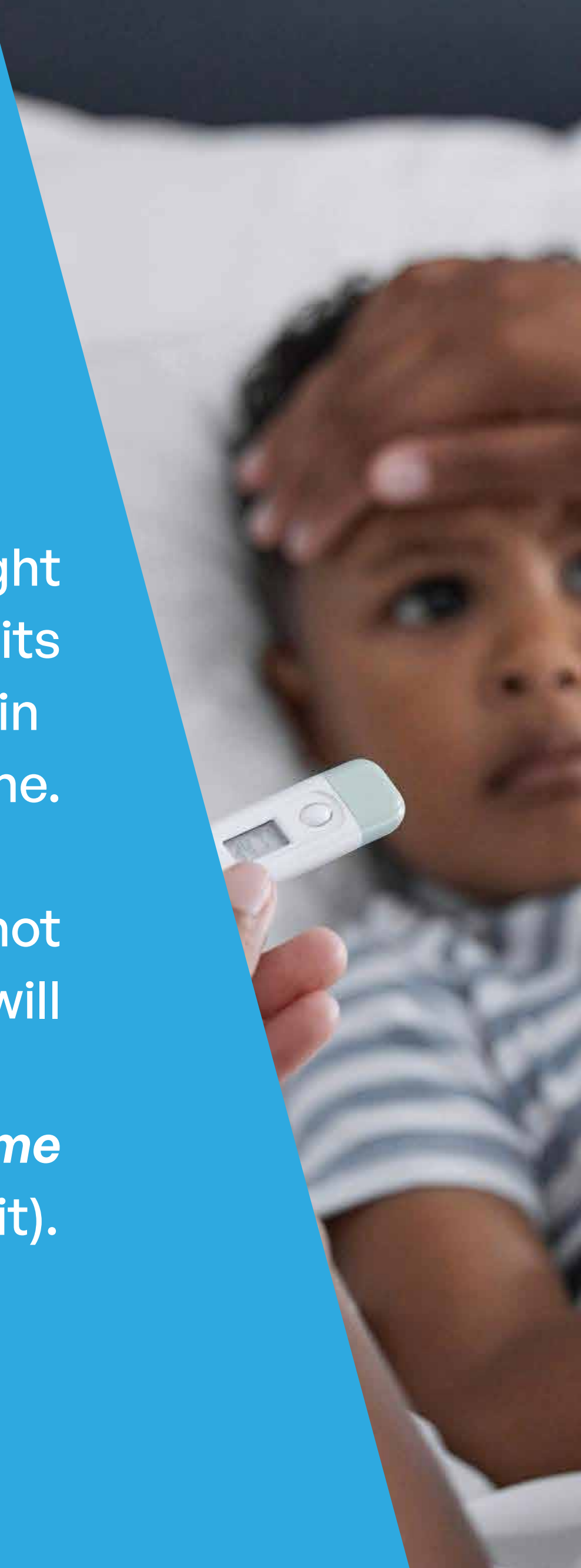


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Please remember the germs brought into a Child Care setting usually hits everyone here. If a child needs to be in bed and quiet, they need to be home.

This means that if your child is not feeling well, for any reason, you will need to find alternative care.

(We recommend our *In-Home Childminding Service*. Ask us about it).





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Please do not bring in the child if he/she has a contagious illness or exhibits any of the following symptoms:

- Fever of 37.8 degrees Celsius or above
- Vomiting, in excess of typical infant spit-ups
- Diarrhoea
- Conjunctivitis ("pink eye")
- Consistent complaints of ear or stomach pain
- Bleeding, other than minor cuts and scrapes
- Excessive greenish nasal discharge, indicating possible infection
- Severe coughing
- Head lice and ringworm
- Impetigo
- Tuberculosis
- Hepatitis A, chickenpox, mumps, measles, rubella or shingles.



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The following conditions do not require exclusion unless recommended by your Little One's Healthcare Provider or if symptoms appear.

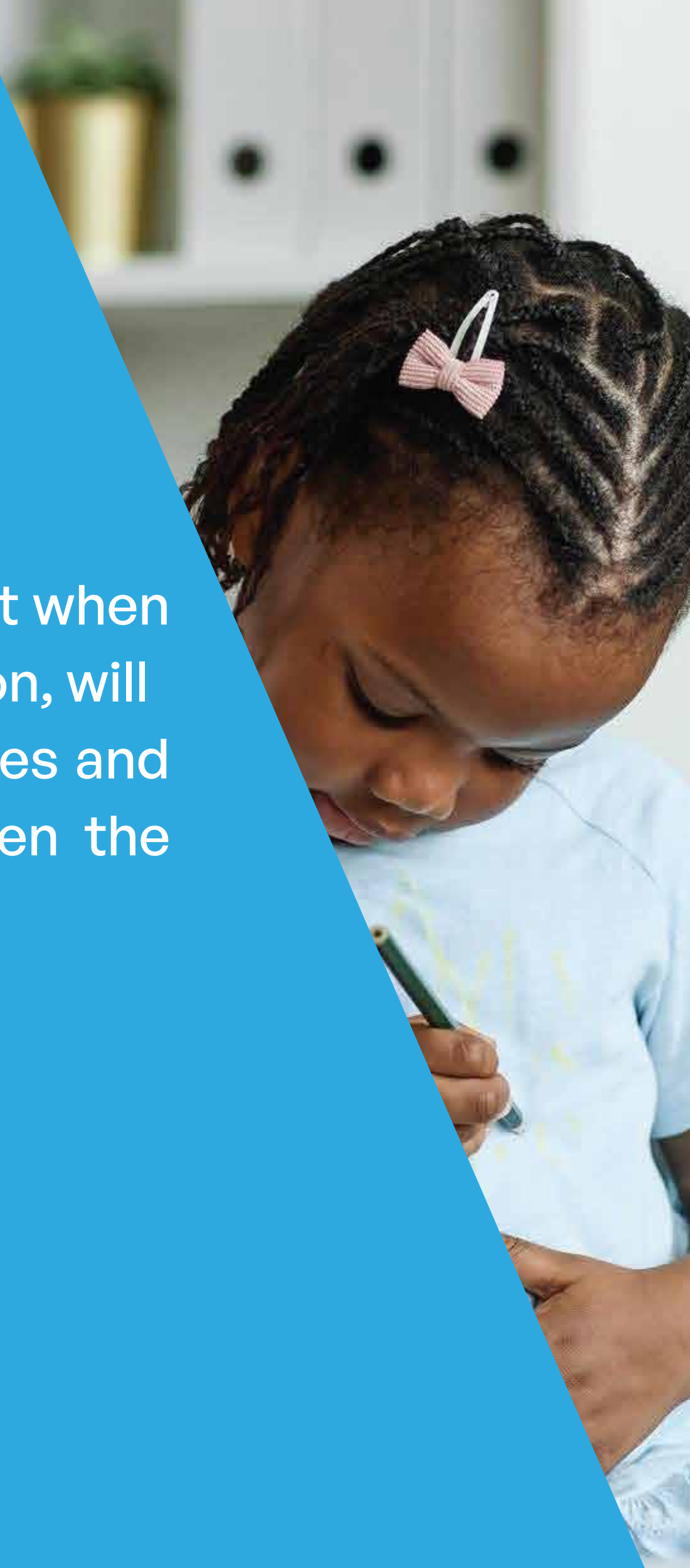
- CMV or HIV infection or Hepatitis B and C virus carrier state.
- Pink eye (allergies)
- Rash without temperature or behaviour changes.
- Non-contagious conditions such as chronic medical conditions or disabilities.
- Runny nose, if the child is feeling well.
- Slight cough





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However, if a child reaches a point when he/she requires constant attention, will not play, cries continuously, whines and wants to be held constantly, then the child will need to stay home.





Illness Management – Exclusion:

■ SCREENING:

Children will be visually screened as they arrive at the facility. In the event a child becomes ill and needs to be picked up, the child will be moved to the Healing Bay until a parent arrives.

■ NON-ADMITTANCE:

Your child will not be allowed to attend. In the event that a child is seen by their physician, for an illness, the parent must get a note/report from the Physician certifying the child fit to return to the Child Care facility.





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Any child requiring **prescription medication** will need to be kept at home for a period of at least 24 hours until no longer contagious, unless accompanied by a signed note from the child's Medical Practitioner.





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Please dispense/administer all medications at home whenever possible. For times when this is not possible, a *Medication Form* must be filled out in order for us to administer any medications.





All prescription and over-the-counter medications must be in their original container(s), and prescriptions must display the pharmacist's label with the doctor's name.





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In addition, all **prescriptions prescribed** more than 7 days ago must be accompanied by a signed note from the child's Medical Practitioner.





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If you have any questions, please feel free to discuss them with us at any time.

Signatures below indicate acknowledgement of receipt of this form and agreement to adhere to these policies.

Parent/guardian:

Date:

Centre Coordinator:

Date: