

Childcare Centre:

Date:

Dear Parent:

Re: Pink-eye

There have been cases of pink-eye identified in your child's childcare centre. Symptoms include pink or red eyes with white or yellow eye drainage, often with crusting of the eyelids after sleep. The eye may feel itchy and irritated, there may be increased tearing, and the eyelid may be swollen.

Pink-eye is spread easily from contaminated fingers, and other objects. Please see your doctor or a pharmacist if your child or anyone in the home develops these symptoms.

Treatment usually involves the application of an antibiotic ointment or drops as prescribed by a doctor or purchased from a pharmacy. Please complete any treatment as directed. A child with pink-eye should not return to the childcare centre until they have completed at least 24 hours of treatment and the eye is no longer draining or crusting.

You may call Algoma Public Health, Infectious Diseases Program at 705-942-4646 with any questions or concerns.

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