

It is the position of Algoma Public Health that Head lice (Pediculosis) are a common nuisance experienced by families and individuals within our community. Head lice is no longer a funded mandatory program. However, the agency believes that it is necessary to continue to advocate and educate individuals in the treatment and control of head lice.

## POLICY:

Algoma Public Health supports the education of the community regarding head lice in the following ways:

Algoma Public Health accepts phone calls from concerned citizens and provides education from the following resources:

- Head Lice Fact Sheet
- Algoma Public Health Website
- Refer to Telehealth Ontario

Algoma Public Health staff can provide information on the following:

- What to look for
- How lice are spread
- Treatment options for lice and nits/alternative treatments
- Define close contacts
- Cleaning of personal items
- Recommendations for school/daycares

## For more information contact Algoma Public Health at:

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