

**EMPLOYEE COMMUNICABLE DISEASE GUIDELINES**

Health guidelines for work attendance are established and interpreted with the context of the situation. The guidelines are not inclusive but are available to be used as a resource. Specific needs will be addressed individually. School personnel will refer to school health professionals for specific judgments in interpreting the guidelines.

<b>Disease and Incubation* Period</b>	<b>Rules for Work Attendance</b>
Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) *6 months-five years	Determination will be made as outlined in the Communicable Disease Policy. The State Department of Health guidelines on AIDS shall be used as reference.
Chicken Pox *14-21 days	The employee may attend work after all pox are dry and scabbed.
Cytomegalovirus (CMV) Salivary Gland Viruses	The employee may attend work. Precautions should be taken by contacts with immunosuppression as anti-cancer or organ transplants as well as anyone with suspected or known pregnancy. Good hand washing in all cases should eliminate risk of transfer of infection.
Giardiasis and Infectious Enteric Diseases *5-25 days or longer	The employee may attend work. Food handlers must remain at home until they have three negative stool specimens. Good hand washing in all cases should eliminate risk of transfer of infection.
Herpes Simplex *2-12 days	The employee may attend work during an active case. Good hand washing in all cases should eliminate risk of transfer of infection.
Impetigo Variable *4-10 days	The employee may attend school if under treatment and covered or dry.
Infectious Hepatitis *15-40 days Average 25 days	The employee may attend work as directed by the physician. Appropriate personal hygiene precautions should eliminate risk of transfer of infection.
Measles (Red, Hard, Rubeola, 7-day) *8-14 days	The employee may attend work after a minimum of seven (7) days. Employees who have had contact measles may attend work if the employee has had the measles or if immunization is up to date.
Infectious Mononucleosis (Glandular Fever) *2-6 weeks	The employee may attend work as directed by the physician.
Mumps *12-21 days	The employee may attend work after swelling has disappeared.
Pediculosis (Lice)	The employee may attend work after treatment.
Pink Eye (Conjunctivitis) *5-12 days	The employee may attend work after the eye is clear, under treatment or with physician's written permission.
Plantar's Warts	The employee may attend work.

Ring Worm (Scalp, Body, Athlete's Foot)	The employee may attend work if area is under treatment.
Rubella (3-day, German Measles) *14-21 days	The employee may attend work after a minimum of four (4) days. Prevent exposure of pregnant women.
Scabies (7-year itch, Mites)	The employee may attend work after treatment.
Streptococcal Infections (Scarlet Fever, Scarletina, Strep Throat) *1-3 days	The employee may attend work 24 hours after initiating oral antibiotic therapy and clinically well.

All communicable and chronic disease should be reported to Health Services.

\*Time interval between initial contact with an infectious agent and the first sign of symptom of the disease.

Legal References: SDCL 13-43-3 through 13-43-3.3, SDCL 1-27-3 ARSD 24:03:09:10

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