



Child Care Medication Policy

The state of Michigan does not allow preschool and child care programs to give medication with only a verbal request. If medication must be given at Child Care, the [Medication Permission Form](#) must be completed, signed, and in the child's file.

Prescription medication must be in its original container with the pharmacy label indicating the physician's name, child's name, instructions, and name and strength of the medication. Prescription medication shall only be given according to the instructions on the original container unless the child's physician gives a written order to do otherwise. Medication must only be given to the child matching the name on the bottle. Complete one form for each medication.

All medications must be kept out of the reach of children. Medication must not be stored in a backpack or left on a counter. Aspirin will NEVER be allowed due to the possibility of Reye's Syndrome.

If **topical nonprescription medication** must be applied during child care, an [Authorization for Non-prescription Topical Medication Form](#) must be signed and on file.

Oral medication must be kept separate from topical medication.

All medication forms will become a permanent part of the child's file.