



**New Hampshire Division for Children, Youth and Families Policy Manual**  
**2257 CONTAINMENT OF INFECTIOUS/COMMUNICABLE DISEASES**

Chapter: **Sununu Youth Services Center**

Section: **Healthcare**

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**References Of Note**

Federal Authority: [Food Code 2017](#)

Statutes: [RSA 621](#) and [RSA 621-A](#)

Administrative Rules: [Ed 1114.18](#)

Case Law:

This policy establishes the process for containment of infectious/communicable diseases at SYSC.

**Required Practices**

*Any deviations to the following information must be documented with Supervisory Approval.*

- I. All SYSC staff shall be trained in and exercise universal precautions and other standard practice designed to contain/minimize the spread of infectious/communicable disease.
- II. Nursing staff shall assess for likelihood of the presence of communicable diseases while admitting youth and take any necessary precautionary actions.
- III. SYSC Staff must report any suspected case of infectious/communicable disease as soon as possible to the Medical Department.
- IV. The Medical Department or designee will immediately notify the following of any reportable illness that is contagious or poses a health threat to other youth at SYSC:
  - A. The youth's parents/guardians;
  - B. The youth's physician as appropriate and allowable;
  - C. The New Hampshire Department of Education; and
  - D. The DHHS Bureau of Communicable Disease Control (non-identifying information only).
- V. Any youth potentially infected with a communicable/infectious disease shall be placed on appropriate isolation precautions as deemed necessary by the nurse responsible for the youth.
- VI. Youth on communicable disease precautions shall not participate in food preparation, in accordance with the US Food and Drug Administration Food Code (2017).

VII. All diagnoses shall be documented in the medical record, along with all precautions implemented.

VIII. Youth suspected or determined to have a communicable disease shall continue to receive educational services.

<b>Standard Operating Procedures</b>		
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2257.1	Containment Procedures	SYSC

<b>Glossary and Document Specific Definitions</b>									
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