

NURSE PRACTITIONER APPOINTMENTS TRIAGE FOR SCHOOL NURSES (AND SCHOOL SECRETARIES)

1) Upper Respiratory Infection with duration of > 7days [15min] or

- Fever .101
- Intermittent wheezing (Shortness of breath*)
- Persistent Headache
- Chest pain*
- Ear pain*
- Positive Strep Screen

RNs: Do Strep screens when the 4 cardinal symptoms are present

1. Fever 101 or greater
2. Very large/tender cervical lymph nodes
3. Difficulty swallowing
4. White patches on tonsils

2) Ear pain (consistent +/- or fever*, intermittent pain can wait) [15min]

3) Frequency +/- or burning with urination [15min]

RNs: Do dip if possible (note whether there are WBCs,RBCs, or nitrites)

4) Eye injuries* [30min]

5) Musculoskeletal injuries (sprain/strain/?fracture) [15min]

6) Abdominal pain* (with or without vomiting & diarrhea) or dehydration [30min]

7) Headaches: new onset*, severe*, ongoing/recurrent [30min]

8) Unusual and persistent fatigue (>7-10 days) [30min]

9) Burns * (follow up OK) [30min]

10) Rashes and other skin things (ie impetigo, cellulites) [15min]

11) Allergies (post nasal drip, chronic cough, nasal drip, itchy/runny eyes) [30min]

12) Acute scenarios in Diabetes* ie.insulin shock or ketoacidosis

13) Syncope or fainting* [30min]

14) Accident or injury* or follow up [30min]

15) Animal or insect bite especially if infection or inflammation occur [15min]

16) Persistently enlarged lymph nodes [30min]

17) Changing Asthma, acute* gradual changes [30min]

RNs: Do Peak flows and record along with the nl for ht. and age

18) Consistent elevated BP [15min]

19) Consistent Heartburn [30min]

20) Vertigo or dizziness [30min]

21) Amenorrhea [30min]

RNs: check urine HCG first and record in chart

22) BC consult

23) Depression/Anxiety/OCD etc.

Please refer child to Mental Health Counselor first. Will take MH referrals if need for medications is a possibility.

24) Any other conditions that can wait and warrant more than a Nurse's evaluation.

***denotes symptoms or diseases that occur on a day when the NP is there or they require more immediate attention and cannot wait.**