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MEDICAL INFORMATION



BOYS SHOULD START CAMP FREE OF ANY CONTAGIOUS DISEASE (i.e. chickenpox, etc.). **If there's any question about your boy's health** at the time he is to depart for camp, or if your boy has had any direct contact with communicable diseases, **please consult with us** after seeking the advice of your boy's physician. In some instances, it is preferable to keep a boy at home until a condition or incubation period has passed.

The Medical Form (Form 5a from the Camper Preparation Packet) **must** be current and on file before a camper's arrival. **NO CAMPER MAY GO ON A WILDERNESS TRIP WITHOUT AN UP-TO-DATE MEDICAL FORM.**

Please double-check all information on the medical form to ensure that it is complete and accurate!

1. **Your son needs a physical if he has not had one within the past 24 months. YOUR BOY'S DOCTOR should examine your son and then complete the entire fourth page of the Medical Form and sign at the bottom of the page.** If your son HAS had a physical within the past 24 months, the fourth page of the Medical Form can simply be completed in the doctor's office by one of his or her staff members.
2. You may rest assured that we will always make every effort possible to contact you (or if you cannot be reached, the persons you have designated) in the event that any hospital treatment or surgery is needed. Many hospitals and doctors will not treat a minor without written parental authorization, even though we have been in contact with you by phone. Your signature on the Medical Form insures that your son will receive prompt attention.
3. If your boy wears GLASSES, please attach a duplicate of his prescription to his Medical Form. He should also bring an extra pair of glasses with him.
4. **ALL MEDICAL INSTRUCTIONS MUST BE DOCUMENTED** on the yellow medical form. If your son will be taking any prescription or over-the-counter medicines, be sure to record them on the Medical Form. If there are any changes after sending us the medical form, please complete and mail us the Medications Change Form (Form 6). If you find it advisable to give us further information verbally by phone, we strongly urge you to follow up immediately with a written communication. We are not medical professionals, and there is always the possibility of our misinterpreting a verbal message. Any written instruction can go directly to our medical staff.
5. Please check with us before sending over-the-counter medications with your son, since the health center stocks a wide supply of non-prescription drugs that are available to all campers if needed.

IMPORTANT MEDICAL FORM REMINDERS:

- SIGN THE PARENT'S AUTHORIZATION AT THE BOTTOM OF THE FRONT PAGE OF THE MEDICAL FORM (5a).**
- ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR SON'S CURRENT INSURANCE CARD. PLEASE MAKE SURE THIS IS A READABLE, CLEAR COPY!**