

Medication in kitchen Risk Assessment

Lapstone Activity Centre

Identified Hazard –

- Fire in kitchen
- Children going into the pantry and accessing medication boxes

Risk Rating Key

- !! Very High
- ! High Risk
- **# Medium Risk**
- * Low Risk

Risk

Staff cannot access medication if a fire occurs

- **Control Measure**
- Only educators are allowed access into the kitchen unless permission is given and strict supervision occurs
- The OOSH premises is never left if oven/stove are in use
- Cooking items are never left unattended
- Fire safety equipment is close to kitchen, easily accessible and is checked in line with regulatory requirements
- Spare asthma puffers to be kept in the emergency evacuation bag should we not be able to access children's boxes upon evacuation
- # Children opening medication boxes- attempted misuse of meds
- Rules are in place and enforced regarding the children entering the kitchen/ pantry. All educators are aware of this boundary and is part of the induction processes.
- Children are not left unattended whilst indoors
- Medication provided is to be kept in the original box it was purchased in by families- this ensures an extra layer of protection if a child were to access the medical boxes

*** The benefit of storing children's medication in the kitchen outweighs the risks involved. The kitchen is a central location and easily accessible in times of an emergency and is located next to an emergency evacuation exit***

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