



ACCEPTING MEDICATION FROM PARENT AND DOCUMENTATION EXERCISE

Directions: read the following example. Using Handouts 2.8 – 2.10, answer the questions.

Case Scenario

Today is December 13, 2004 at 8:30am.

Missy Franklin is a six-month-old infant in your program. She has begun teething and usually becomes quite irritable during the day. Her mother arrives at the program to give you written permission and written instructions from her health care provider to give her Baby Orajel® when she is having teething pain.

Using Missy's Written Medication "Conset Form, Baby Orajel® package and the Log of Medication Administration, complete the following:

1. Do you have the required permission and complete instructions to administer the Orajel® per the mother's request?

ANSWER: Yes.

2. Fill out the necessary sections on Missy's Written Medication Consent Form and on the blank Log of Medication Administration.

ANSWER: Once you have received the Written Medication Consent Form and found it to be complete, you need complete the Day Care Program section on the back of the form. (See the Answer Key Version of the Written Medication Consent Form.)

In addition, you want to start a new Log of Medication Administration with the name of the child and the name of the medication to use once you start giving the medication. Attach the log securely to the child's Written Medication Consent Form. (See the Answer Key version of the Log of Medication Administration.)

At 1:30pm the same day, you notice that Missy is irritable, sucking on her hand and drooling. You decide she needs Baby Orajel® to help soothe the discomfort. You administer a pea-sized amount to her upper gum area where a tooth is beginning to appear.

3. Document the administration of the Baby Orajel® in Missy's Log of Medication Administration.

ANSWER. Immediately after giving the medication, you will document the date and the time the Baby Orajel® was applied, the dose given and sign your name.



Handout 2.7 – Answer Key

Since the Baby Orajel® is an “as needed” medication, you also need to document the reason you gave the medication and indicate that Missy’s parent was notified that the dose was given.

4. What is the maximum number of doses you are allowed to give to Missy today?

ANSWER: Three doses per day based upon the health care provider’s written instructions.

5. When can you administer another dose of Baby Orajel® to Missy?

ANSWER: You can administer another dose at 2:30 pm (one hour after administering the 1:30 pm dose) if Missy is still having symptoms as listed in #7B on the Written Medication Consent Form.