

To those who use the Nursery Room for Sick Children,

### **Notice regarding Establishment of Isolation Room**

I am pleased to announce that the Nursery Room for Sick Children established an isolation room on December 7, 2009. The room is separated from the ordinary nursery room. This enables us to offer safe nursing and child-care services to children with symptoms such as fever and gastroenteritis. In the past we weren't equipped to accept those children.

Please note that in order to prevent the spread of disease, we may move a child from the ordinary nursery room to the isolation room, as the physician deems necessary.

Children to whom any of the following conditions apply will be admitted to the isolation room. In all cases the child's general condition must be stable and the child must not have been definitely diagnosed with an infectious disease.

1. Fever of 38.5°C or higher
2. Gastroenteritis symptoms such as diarrhea and vomiting
3. Cough and/or sore throat, but cannot wear a mask due to acute upper respiratory inflammation or bronchitis

In addition, even if the conditions above don't apply, when the physician deems isolation necessary, the child will be admitted to the isolation room.

Like the ordinary nursery room, the isolation room is decorated and provides toys. The isolation room differs from the ordinary nursery room in the following aspects: ① a negative pressure is maintained, ② it has its own washstand and toilet, ③ all staff members wear protective equipment such as gloves, masks and gowns, and ④ when necessary, the room is cleaned with disinfectant, and linens and toys are disinfected after use. The isolation room takes infection prevention measures in accordance with the In-hospital Infection Control Manual of Kyoto University Hospital (developed by Dept. of Infection Control and Prevention).

Please be advised that if the child develops febrile convulsions or other symptoms that require emergency treatment, we may take the child to the outpatient unit of the Department of Pediatrics, Kyoto University Hospital, before contacting the parent.

If you have any questions, please contact the Nursery Room for Sick Children. Your understanding and cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Manager,

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