



Oncology

General information



- You may not always be able to see your consultant but they talk to the nurses and other doctors treating bub.
- If you have any worries or concerns about bub **call 0410 717 816** anytime.
- If it's an **emergency call 000, the Emergency Department doctors will check bub.**
- As much as possible, keep bub doing normal routines like go to school, even if it's for a short time.

Things to remember

Personal hygiene is important.

Washing hand is one of the best and easiest ways to stop germs.

- Bath or shower daily.

- **Use unscented/ no smell in moisturisers** to stop the skin getting dry and cracking.



Use antiseptic on cuts and scrapes.



Show the nurse any red or swollen areas.

Do not trim nails too short. It can lead to **infection or to ingrown nails.**



Always wear shoes when outside.

Prepare food properly:

- Keep food in the fridge.
- If it smells funny don't eat it.
- Don't cut veggies on the same cutting board as meat.
- Make sure you cook meat properly- not a bit raw.
- Store breast milk properly.
- Don't leave food sitting a on bench too long.



Take away food can make **bub sick, from the germs** it can have.

This mean **no take away** chicken or salad food like BBQ chickens, KFC, Chicken Treat, Red Rooster and Chinese take away **until all treatment has finished.**



No sick visitors in the house or around bub.

Anyone with chicken pox, shingles, measles, flu, cold sores, coughs or colds should stay away from bub. People who live in the house with bub should always wash their hands, cover mouth when coughing or sneezing and throw away used tissues.



Baby dummies or feeding bottles should be washed with hot soapy water and air dried.



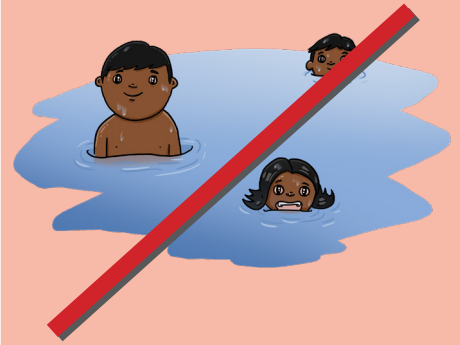
Formula will be made in the hospital infant formula room when babies are an inpatient.

Pets are ok if bub has lived with them before treatment but no new pets.

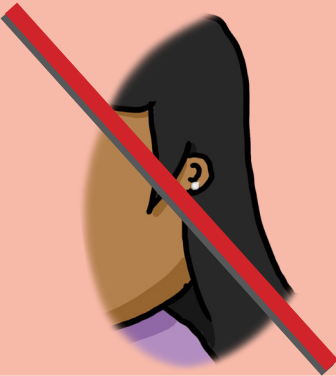
Keep bub away from pet poo and wee. They must always wash their hands after playing with pets.



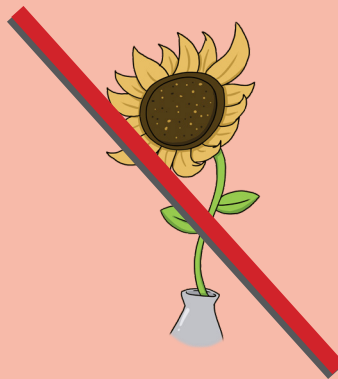
No swimming in pools, rivers or lakes to stop bub from getting germs.



No body piercing and tattoos during treatment they may cause an infection.



No fresh flowers around bub, as they can spread germs.



Try not to make big changes or renovations to your home, dust and dirt can bring germs into the home. Yarn to your doctors if you are unsure.



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