

Medicines Quiz

Take a look at our film clip between Kathy Brodie from Early Years TV and our trainer Marie McKittrick on administering medicines in an early years and educational setting before taking the quiz.

1. What is a medicine?
 - a. Something that comes in a bottle that must be given at least twice a day
 - b. A substance that is used to treat or cure an illness
 - c. A liquid that can only be subscribed by a doctor
2. How would we know what the active ingredient is in any type of medicine?
 - a. We would recognise the brand name
 - b. We would ask a parent
 - c. We would look on the label of the medicine to determine what is in it
3. Out of the following, what are some of the important things to consider when administering medicines to children?
 - a. The medicine tastes pleasant so that the child takes it easily
 - b. Consent from parents / those with legal parental responsibility is given for the child to be administered the medication
 - c. The dates a dosage of medication is carefully checked and applied
 - d. They must always be kept in the fridge
 - e. Medicines are not given to children other than those named on the medicine for whom it is prescribed
 - f. The bottle is always shaken at least 10 minutes before the medicine is taken
 - g. Good communication between the home and the setting, other practitioners caring for the child, enables the right amount of medication to be given at the right times and amounts to the child
4. What is anaphylaxis?
 - a. It is a severe life- threatening condition that can affect one or several parts of the body
 - b. A rash that quickly develops when people eat the wrong kind of foods
 - c. A condition that occurs when children come into contact with peanuts
5. Emergency medication such as anti-histamines should be;
 - a. Kept in a room away from children's reach at all times
 - b. Kept in an unlocked room and unlocked cupboard at all times
 - c. Kept in a dark room that is temperature controlled



6. Who should administer anti-histamine pens?
- a. Only the child's parents
 - b. The manager or school nurse in a setting
 - c. Someone who has been trained in the use of administering anti-histamines pens
7. You would call an ambulance if a child has a seizure;
- a. At least once a month
 - b. For the first time
 - c. If the seizure lasts for more than 30 seconds
8. When administering medicines it is most important that we;
- a. Make sure that we are compliant and adhere to legislation and relevant guidance
 - b. Take advice from parents
 - c. Listen to the advice of our manager
9. There are a number of essential details that should be considered in an administering medicines policy? Which is the **WRONG ANSWER**?
- a. How you document consent
 - b. How long the medicine can be left out of the fridge
 - c. How you administer medication
 - d. How your medication is stored
 - e. How you document administering of medication
 - f. How parents know that medicines have been administered

Medicines Answers

1: b

2: c

3: b, c, e, g

4: a

5: b

6: c

7: b

8: a

9: b (is the WRONG answer, and therefore the one you should choose!)

