

Swine Flu and Camps, Holidays and Residentials

Advice to Leaders

Planning and Risk Assessment

All leaders will be familiar with the process of completing risk assessments for the range of activities undertaken at BB residentials.

It is advised that, this year, in producing this risk assessment we factor in the possibility of leaders or young people contracting Swine Flu while away.

Therefore all people in charge of camps and holidays should include in their risk assessment the following matters:

- Is there adequate adult supervision in the instance of one or more leaders catching flu? Eg are there back-ups for key roles like driving and cooking etc?
- Do you have a range of contact details on the special activities consent form?
- Have parents been informed of procedures if their child becomes ill and needs to go home?
- Do you have the telephone numbers for NHS Direct and the Swine Flu helpline stored on your mobile?
- Have you familiarised yourself with the **most current** government advice before leaving?
- Do you have a home contact person who can disseminate information in a controlled manner?

In an Emergency

If any outbreak at your camp is widespread or the symptoms are severe you must have in place agreed emergency procedures that have been communicated to parents/carers before leaving. These procedures should involve how young people will be transported home if this becomes necessary.

Good Practice

All actions should be taken in consultation with the young person/s concerned and their parents or carers.

If you have any questions about planning and risk assessment for holidays and camps please contact BBHQ.