**Sample letter: For use in childcare regarding exclusion**

Date: Dear: Re: Exclusion of Child

It has been reported to Public Health that your child has been diagnosed with:

This can be easily spread in a child care setting, therefore, your child needs to be excluded from daycare because of the risk of spread to others. It is safe for your child to return to daycare once he/she has:

\_No further symptoms

\_7 days after onset of jaundice or symptoms (may return to daycare on \_)

\_3 negative stool specimens

\_2 negative stool specimens

\_48 hours after finishing any antibiotics.

Public Health can give you specimen containers and instructions about how to collect the specimens and what laboratory to take them to, or you can see your health care provider to arrange to have the specimens collected. The laboratory will send the reports on the specimens you submit to your healthcare provider and Public Health.

Please note that your child should only return to child care after Public Health has determined that the criteria are met.

If you have any questions, please contact the following Public Health Nurse

Sincerely,

Phone

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