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PATIENT INSTRUCTION SHEET

SCABIES

Scabies is a mite that causes itching and inflammation of the skin. It is easily transmitted from person to person. The rash is often seen between the fingers or toes, on the wrists, under the arm and around the stomach area. In children younger than two years, the rash is often on the scalp and neck in addition the areas mention above.

TREATMENT:

Apply Elimite lotion to the skin (and scalp if involved) and rub it in well. Leave the lotion on the skin for 8-12 hours and then wash it off thoroughly in the shower or bath.

One application is usually sufficient although the rash may last for a few days after the treatment. If the rash gets worse, bring the child back to the office.

Bedding and clothing worn next to the skin during the four days before your child was treated should be washed in hot water and dried in a clothes dryer using a hot cycle.

Your child can return to daycare or school after the treatment with Elimite is completed.

If you have any questions, please call.