All medication must always be kept in a safe place, out of the reach of children/young people (unless otherwise agreed).

If a child/young person can self-administer their medication, then this must be recorded clearly.

The FSW should discuss storage and administration of medication during supervision with foster carers and any concerns such as a child refusing medication, should be recorded on the medication form and reasons for this should be detailed in log-sheets for the child/young person.

If the missed medication is essential for a child’s safety, then to call 111/999 - depending on the severity of the medical issue - to seek advice. A foster carer should also call Emergency Duty Team or Out of Hours to inform them of the situation.

Sharing medication is not permitted.

Storage instructions and expiry date should be checked and adhered to.

All prescribed medication must have the pharmacy label clearly displayed with the child’s name, dosage, and administration instructions visibly labelled on the packaging.

**Central Bedfordshire Council Medication Form**.

Name of Child: DOB:

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