Medications and First Aid

Medications:
- Must be inaccessible to children.
- Must be stored in the original container, labeled with the child’s name and in a controlled area separated from food, cleaning compounds and other toxic substances.
- If refrigeration is required, the medication must be stored:
  1. In a separate refrigerator for that purpose only.
  -or-
  2. In an impermeable secondary container located in a designated area of a food storage refrigerator, separated and inaccessible to children.
- Medications acquired by the facility or abandoned by parents or guardians must be disposed as required by law.
- Medical oxygen must not be used by children or staff in areas with open flames. Signage must be posted in the child care facility that oxygen is in use.

First Aid:
- Supplies provided must include: gauze pads, rolled gauze, adhesive tape, cold pack, plastic bags, disposable gloves, Bandage-Aids, mechanism for cleaning hands in remote location, and scissors.
- Basic first aid supplies must be inaccessible to children and stored in a clean area that is conveniently located and available to staff for emergency use.
- First aid supplies and equipment with an expiration date must be discarded and replaced accordingly.

Poison Control Center: 1-800-222-1222
- Call the poison control center for guidance about any exposure to toxic substances or any potential poisoning emergency.