

Patient's name: MRN #: Doctor:

# **Eczema Action Plan**

## **Daily skin care**

#### Bath:

Take a bath in lukewarm water once a day. Do not stay in the bath for longer than 10 minutes.

Use fragrance-free gentle cleansers (only \_\_\_\_ times a week) and rinse well.

Do not use soap. Do not use washcloths or brushes.

Gently pat the skin dry and apply moisturizer right away.

#### Moisturize:

Apply moisturizer at least 2 times a day.

## **Avoid Triggers:**

To prevent flare-ups, avoid eczema triggers. Follow these tips:

- Do not overheat the bedroom.
- Avoid wool clothing. Use cotton clothing instead.
- · Wash new clothes before wearing
- Keep fingernails clean and short to avoid scratching.
- Avoid cigarette smoke.
- Avoid bubble baths and soaps.

If you have an eczema flare-up
(Red rough itchy skin)
Continue with the daily skin care PLUS:

□ Apply\_\_\_\_\_ on the red, rough and itchy areas of the **body** \_\_\_\_\_ times per day. Do this **before** applying moisturizer. □ Apply\_\_\_\_\_ on the red, rough and itchy areas of the **face** \_\_\_\_\_ times per day. Do this **before** applying moisturizer.

## When to stop:

Apply this to the skin for \_\_\_\_ days then stop. If the flare-up gets better sooner, apply the medication for two days after the flare-up is gone and then stop.

\* **See a doctor** if red and itchy skin is not better after \_\_ weeks.

## For frequent flares in the same place:

First, follow the instructions above.

Then you can apply the above medications

or \_\_\_\_\_where you get flares

\_\_\_\_times a week for\_\_\_weeks.

Then continue \_\_\_\_times a week for \_\_ weeks.

- ☐ To control itch:
  - Use cold compresses.
  - Give \_\_\_\_\_ before bed.
- ☐ Bleach bath \_\_\_\_\_ per week for 10 minutes.
- ☐ Do wet wrap therapy once daily for \_\_\_\_ days.

## **Infection treatment and control**

#### \* See a doctor if:

- Your child has honey-colored scabs or blisters on their skin.
- Clear or yellow liquid is oozing from the skin.
- Your child has a fever (38.5 C/101.5 F).

#### **Treatment:**

☐ Give	,
times a day, for	days.
□ Place wet compresses per day on the crusted area	times
□ Put	
on the oozing /crusted areas times per day.	

Other recommendations:

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