Ringworm is a fungal infection that may affect the body, feet or scalp.

Symptoms:
- **Body**—Flat, spreading, round shapes on the skin. If your child is infected, it may take 4 to 10 days for symptoms to start.
- **Scalp**—Begins as a small scaly patch on the scalp and may cover more of the head. Mild redness, swelling, itching and pustules (pus-filled bumps) may occur. Infected hairs become brittle and break off easily. If your child is infected, it may take 10 to 14 days for symptoms to start.
- **Feet (athlete’s foot)**—Scaling or cracking of the skin or blisters. Itching is common.

Spread
- By touching the infected skin of a person or pet (usually, dogs and cats).
- By sharing or touching contaminated objects. Objects include hats, clothing, furniture, shower stalls, swimming pool decks and locker room benches or floors.

Contagious Period
As long as you can see the ringworm on the skin. Once treatment has begun your child is less contagious.

Call your Healthcare Provider
If anyone in your home has symptoms. Your doctor will decide if treatment is needed. Follow directions exactly.

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