

BACTERIAL CONJUNCTIVITIS
(Pink Eye)

IMMUNIZATION: None

INCUBATION PERIOD: Usually 24 to 72 hours

SYMPTOMS: Reddening of the white of the eye and inner eyelids, with or without purulent (pus) drainage.

PERIOD OF COMMUNICABILITY:
Entire course of active infection

MODE OF TRANSMISSION:
Direct contact with discharges from the eye or upper respiratory tract of an infected person; from contaminated fingers, clothing, other items.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:
Preferably child should not attend school until examined by a physician and approved for re-admission. Otherwise, child should be excluded from school during acute stage of infection.

CONTACT/FOLLOW-UP:
No recommendations