HEAD LICE TREATMENT TIP SHEET

- Check the head and scalp of EVERYONE in the household for lice so EVERYONE can be treated at the same time.
- Tell parents of close play-mates and friends to examine their children’s heads for lice.
- Only use human products.
- Follow the instruction label for lice shampoo. Contact your health care provider about additional treatment if lice come back.
- Do not depend on the medicated shampoo to completely kill the lice. Comb every day to finish the removal.
- Start combing as close to the scalp as possible, and remove louse eggs off the comb after each stroke.
- Conditioning shampoo or hair conditioners can stop the head lice medicine from working. Do not use these products.
- Head lice DO NOT spread disease. Excessive scratching can lead to a secondary skin infection.
- To prevent lice, avoid head-to-head contact, sharing clothing, hair styling tools, and other personal items.
- Check for lice and nits in every household member daily after initial treatment.
- Check your child’s school policy on nits. The Oklahoma State Department of Health DOES NOT regulate school policies for lice.