FEVER AND YOUR CHILD – Emergency Advice

Fever: (Temperature 100.4 (F) or higher.)

- COVID-19 Concerns: We can help get testing done. Testing after hours is not needed for well appearing children. Please call my office during office hours for more information.
- Temperature 100.4 (F) or higher.
- Commonly caused by a viral illness and generally not dangerous.

CALL EMS - 911 NOW if:

- Unresponsive, Limp, or Very Weak
- Bluish Lips or Tongue
- Struggling to Breathing (More than just nasal congestion)
- Purple Bruising or Blood-Colored spots (nonblanching) skin lesions.
- Other Life-threatening symptoms.

GO TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM NOW if:

- Newborn < 4 weeks with Fever of 100.4 or higher.
- Fever > 105 and not responding to Tylenol /
 Ibuprofen OR if a child still looks ill AFTER fever
 improves. Fever usually improves with Tylenol
 and Ibuprofen. (But may not come down to
 normal.) Children should appear improved after
 fever decreases. A child who remains lethargic
 despite decrease in fever should be seen at the ER.
- Neck Stiffness (Painful to move chin to chest.)
- Does **not** want to be carried or moved. (Seems Painful)
- Seizure activity. (Not just chills.)
- Bloody Urine Color

** GO TO ER IF YOU FEEL SOMETHING IS WRONG
AND CAN'T WAIT FOR OFFICE HOURS **

Medication

Tylenol Infant / Children

• Repeat every 4 hours as needed.



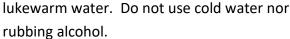
Ibuprofen (Motrin, Advil)

Repeat every 6 hours as needed.

Child's weight (pounds)	12-17	18-23	24-35	36-47	48-59	60-71	72-95	96+	lbs
Infant Drops 50 mg/ 1.25 mL	1.25	1.875	2.5	3.75	5	-	-	-	mL
Liquid 100 mg/ 5 milliliters (mL)	2.5	4	5	7.5	10	12.5	15	20	mL
Liquid 100 mg/ 1 teaspoon (tsp)	1/2	3/4	1	11/2	2	21/2	3	4	tsp
Chewable 100 mg tablets	-	-	1	11/2	2	21/2	3	4	tabs
Junior-strength 100 mg tablets	-	-	-	-	2	21/2	3	4	tabs
Adult 200 mg tablets	_	-	_	-	1	1	11/2	2	tabs

Home Care Advice

- Give extra fluids.
 - Don't overwrap a child with fever who feels cold.
 Shivering indicates fever is increasing. Continue medication. Sponge and with



Call us during office hours.

