WHEN TO GO TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM VS. PEDIATRICIAN

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IRRITABILITY OR COLIC



EAR PAIN



DIARRHEA OR VOMITING



SORE THROAT, FEVER, OR COLD SYMPTOMS

EMERGENCY ROOM



BROKEN BONES



SERIOUS INJURY OR BURN



SUICIDAL THOUGHTS



DIFFICULTY BREATHING

Children's Liquid Tylenol (acetaminophen) 160 mg/5 mL

Amount of Medication to Give per Dose

Weight (lbs)	Weight (kg)	
5.5 - 6.38 lbs	2.5 - 2.9 kg	1.25 mL
6.4 - 7.7 lbs	3.0 - 3.5 kg	1.5 mL
7.8 - 9.2 lbs	3.6 - 4.2 kg	1.75 mL
9.3 - 10.6 lbs	4.3 - 4.8 kg	2 mL
10.7 - 11.7 lbs	4.9 - 5.3 kg	2.25 mL
11.8 - 12.8 lbs	5.4 - 5.8 kg	2.5 mL
12.9 - 13.9 lbs	5.9 - 6.3 kg	2.75 mL
14.0 - 16.3 lbs	6.4 - 7.4 kg	3 mL
16.4 - 18.7 lbs	7.5 - 8.5 kg	3.5 mL
18.8 - 20.9 lbs	8.6 - 9.5 kg	4 mL
21.0 - 23.3 lbs	9.6 - 10.6 kg	4.5 mL
23.4 - 27.9 lbs	10.7 - 12.7 kg	5 mL

Children's Liquid Motrin (ibuprofen) 100 mg/5 mL

Amount of Medication to Give per Dose

Weight (lbs)	Weight (kg)	
13.2 - 15.3 lbs	6 - 6.9 kg	3 mL
15.4 - 17.5 lbs	7.0 - 7.9 kg	3.5 mL
17.6 - 19.7 lbs	8.0 - 8.9 kg	4 mL
19.8 - 21.9 lbs	9.0 - 9.9 kg	4.5 mL
22.0 - 23.9 lbs	10.0 - 10.9 kg	5 mL

*** Children's ibuprofen (Motrin) should not be given to infants under 6 months of age unless directed by a physician.

HOW CAN I TELL IF MY CHILD HAS A FEVER?
A fever is 100.4°F or higher for babies and children of all ages.

WHY DOES MY CHILD HAVE A FEVER?
A fever is a natural defense against infection. In rare cases, teething can cause a slight rise in temperature. However, if the temperature exceeds 100.4°F, parents are advised to consider other possible causes for the elevated temperature, aside from teething.

WHEN SHOULD I TREAT A FEVER?
Babies 2 months or younger: If your baby has a temperature of 100.4°F or higher, call their pediatrician immediately. Do not give fever-reducing medication unless directed by a healthcare provider. Your baby may need to be evaluated in the emergency room.

Children 2 months and older: Acetaminophen (Tylenol) may be given for a fever of 100.4°F or higher, following your pediatrician's guidance. Do not give ibuprofen (Motrin) to children younger than 6 months.

Children 6 months and older: Acetaminophen (Tylenol) *or* ibuprofen (Motrin) may be used to treat a fever, following age- and weight-appropriate dosing guidelines.

If your child's fever does not improve, or you are concerned about their symptoms, contact their pediatrician.

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