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Fever

The average child has 8 fevers per year, especially in the first four years of life. Fever is not necessarily a bad symptom. The goal is to keep the temperature below 104 degrees. The temperature always rises in the evening; this does not mean that the child is worsening.

Rules

1. If the temperature is over 101 degrees, undress the child and offer cool liquids, such as Pedialyte or Gerber Electrolyte. Cool the home and use a damp cloth on the child. Give Acetaminophen (Tylenol) as outlined in the dosage schedule below.
2. If the temperature is over 103 degrees, follow the instructions above and call if your child's fever persists or the child's symptoms worsen.
3. If the fever lasts more than 36 hours, or is associated with lack of appetite (3-4 feedings), or the child seems irritable please call our office to schedule a visit.

****Do not hesitate to bring your child into the office in the am for a walk-in sick visit or to call the office for an appointment. Walk-in visits are at 6:45-7:30 am on Mon-Sat and 7:45-8:30 on Sun and holidays.

TYLENOL- ACETAMINOPHEN

Weight	Children's Suspension/Liquid (160mg/5ml)
6 - 11 lbs	1/4 teaspoon
12 - 17 lbs	1/2 teaspoon
18 - 23 lbs	3/4 teaspoon
24 - 35 lbs	1 teaspoon
36 - 47 lbs	1 1/2 teaspoons
48 - 59 lbs	2 teaspoons
60 - 72 lbs	2 1/2 teaspoons

Acetaminophen may be given every 4-6 hours as needed