When to See Your Pediatrician, Visit Urgent Care, or Go to the ER

Making the right call starts with knowing your options:

See Your Pediatrician.

- Routine well-child checkups & vaccines
- Cold, cough, or low-grade fever
- Minor rashes or skin conditions

- Behavioral or developmental concerns
- Feeding or sleeping issues
- Follow-up after illness or injury

Best for ongoing care, non-urgent concerns, and trusted advice.

See Your Pediatrician. If After Hours, Visit Urgent Care.

- Sore throat, earache, or pink eye
- Mild fever, flu symptoms, or sinus infection
- Minor cuts, sprains, or burns

- Vomiting or diarrhea (if child is still alert and hydrated)
- Mild asthma or allergy flare-ups

These symptoms are best addressed by your pediatrician—or urgent care after hours or weekends.

Visit the ER.

- Trouble breathing or severe asthma attack
- High fever in a baby under 2 months (100.4°F or higher)
- Seizure or head injury

- Broken bone with swelling or deformity
- Severe allergic reaction (trouble breathing, swelling)
- Unresponsiveness, confusion, or uncontrolled bleeding

Call 911 or go to the nearest ER for life-threatening emergencies.

Not Sure? Call Us! 985.447.9045

We're happy to help you decide what's best. Your child's health and safety always come first.



