



Goodlettsville Pediatrics, P.C.

Fever Dosage Chart

For Acetaminophen and Ibuprofen

ADMINISTERING FEVER MEDICATIONS

1. ALWAYS MEASURE MEDICINES WITH THE DROPPER OR CUP THE BOTTLE CAME WITH. Droppers are designed to go with certain concentrations of medicines. Using the wrong dropper may cause you to underdose, or more seriously, to overdose medication.
2. Acetaminophen (Tylenol®) can be given every 4 hours. Do not give more than 5 doses in a 24 hour period. Ibuprofen (Motrin® or Advil®) can be given every 6 hours.
3. Ibuprofen (Motrin® or Advil®) should not be given to babies under 6 months of age, or children with renal issues (kidney) unless directed to give by your physician.
4. Acetaminophen (Tylenol®) should not be given to a baby under 3 months of age unless directed to give by your physician.
5. We recommend trying to treat with EITHER acetaminophen or ibuprofen, BUT you may use these medicines together with high fever.

DOSAGE CHART

Age of Child	Weight	ACETAMINOPHEN (every 4-6 hrs, not more than 5 times/24 hrs)			IBUPROFEN (every 6-8 hrs)		
		Liquid	Chewable Tablets	Adult Tablets	Infant Drops	Liquid	Adult Tablets
0-3 MOS.	6-11 lbs.	1.25 ml ¼ teaspoon (40 mg) CALL DOCTOR			CALL DOCTOR	CALL DOCTOR	
CALL DOCTOR BEFORE GIVING TO INFANT UNDER 3 MOS OF AGE				DO NOT USE UNDER 6 MOS OF AGE			
4-11 MOS.	12-17 lbs.	2.5 ml ½ teaspoon (80 mg)			1.25 ml (50 mg)	2.5 ml ½ teaspoon (50 mg)	
1-2 YRS.	18-23 lbs.	3.75 ml ¾ teaspoon (120 mg)	1 ½ chewable (120 mg)		1.875 ml (75 mg)	3.75 ml ¾ teaspoon (75 mg)	
2-3 YRS.	24-34 lbs.	5 ml 1 teaspoon (160 mg)	2 chewables (160 mg)		2.5 ml (100 mg)	5 ml 1 teaspoon (100 mg)	
4-5 YRS.	35-47 lbs.	7.5 ml 1 ½ teaspoon (240 mg)	3 chewables (240 mg)			7.5 ml 1 ½ teaspoon (150 mg)	
6-9 YRS.	48-74 lbs.	10 ml 2 teaspoons (320 mg)	4 chewables (320 mg)	1 regular strength tablet (325 mg)		10-12.5 ml 2-2 ½ teaspoons (200-250 mg)	1 tablet (200 mg)
10-12 YRS.	75-100 lbs.	15 ml 3 teaspoons (480 mg)	6 chewables (480 mg)	1 extra strength tablet (500 mg)		15 ml 3 teaspoons (300 mg)	1 ½ tablets (300 mg)
OVER 12 YRS.	OVER 100 lbs.	20 ml 4 teaspoons (640 mg)	8 chewables (640 mg)	2 regular strength tablets (650 mg)		20 ml 4 teaspoons (400 mg)	2 tablets (400 mg)

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