# BRIGHT FUTURES HANDOUT ▶ PARENT

# 2 MONTH VISIT

Here are some suggestions from Bright Futures experts that may be of value to your family.





## **HOW YOUR FAMILY IS DOING**

- If you are worried about your living or food situation, talk with us. Community agencies and programs such as WIC and SNAP can also provide information and assistance.
- Find ways to spend time with your partner. Keep in touch with family and friends.
- Find safe, loving child care for your baby. You can ask us for help.
- Know that it is normal to feel sad about leaving your baby with a caregiver or putting him into child care.



## **FEEDING YOUR BABY**

- Feed your baby only breast milk or iron-fortified formula until she is about 6 months old.
- Avoid feeding your baby solid foods, juice, and water until she is about 6 months old.
- Feed your baby when you see signs of hunger. Look for her to
  - Put her hand to her mouth.
  - Suck, root, and fuss.
- Stop feeding when you see signs your baby is full. You can tell when she
  - Turns away
  - Closes her mouth
  - Relaxes her arms and hands
- Burp your baby during natural feeding breaks.

### If Breastfeeding

- Feed your baby on demand. Expect to breastfeed 8 to 12 times in 24 hours.
- Give your baby vitamin D drops (400 IU a day).
- Continue to take your prenatal vitamin with iron.
- Eat a healthy diet.
- Plan for pumping and storing breast milk. Let us know if you need help.
  - If you pump, be sure to store your milk properly so it stays safe for your baby.
     If you have questions, ask us.

#### If Formula Feeding

- Feed your baby on demand. Expect her to eat about 6 to 8 times each day, or 26 to 28 oz of formula per day.
- Make sure to prepare, heat, and store the formula safely. If you need help, ask us.
- Hold your baby so you can look at each other when you feed her.
- Always hold the bottle. Never prop it.



# **HOW YOU ARE FEELING**

- Take care of yourself so you have the energy to care for your baby.
- Talk with me or call for help if you feel sad or very tired for more than a few days.
- Find small but safe ways for your other children to help with the baby, such as bringing you things you need or holding the baby's hand.
- Spend special time with each child reading, talking, and doing things together.

# YOUR GROWING BABY

- Have simple routines each day for bathing, feeding, sleeping, and playing.
- Hold, talk to, cuddle, read to, sing to, and play often with your baby. This helps you connect with and relate to your baby.
- Learn what your baby does and does not like.
- Develop a schedule for naps and bedtime. Put him to bed awake but drowsy so he learns to fall asleep on his own.
- Don't have a TV on in the background or use a TV or other digital media to calm your baby.
- Put your baby on his tummy for short periods of playtime. Don't leave him alone during tummy time or allow him to sleep on his tummy.
- Notice what helps calm your baby, such as a pacifier, his fingers, or his thumb. Stroking, talking, rocking, or going for walks may also work.
- Never hit or shake your baby.

#### **Helpful Resources:**

Information About Car Safety Seats: www.safercar.gov/parents | Toll-free Auto Safety Hotline: 888-327-4236

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- Use a rear-facing—only car safety seat in the back seat of all vehicles.
- Never put your baby in the front seat of a vehicle that has a passenger airbag.
- Your baby's safety depends on you. Always wear your lap and shoulder seat belt.
   Never drive after drinking alcohol or using drugs. Never text or use a cell phone while driving.
- Always put your baby to sleep on her back in her own crib, not your bed.
  - Your baby should sleep in your room until she is at least 6 months old.
  - Make sure your baby's crib or sleep surface meets the most recent safety guidelines.
- If you choose to use a mesh playpen, get one made after February 28, 2013.
- Swaddling should not be used after 2 months of age.
- Prevent scalds or burns. Don't drink hot liquids while holding your baby.
- Prevent tap water burns. Set the water heater so the temperature at the faucet is at or below 120°F /49°C.
- Keep a hand on your baby when dressing or changing her on a changing table, couch, or bed.
- Never leave your baby alone in bathwater, even in a bath seat or ring.

# WHAT TO EXPECT AT YOUR BABY'S 4 MONTH VISIT

#### We will talk about

- Caring for your baby, your family, and yourself
- Creating routines and spending time with your baby
- Keeping teeth healthy
- Feeding your baby
- Keeping your baby safe at home and in the car

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For more information, go to https://brightfutures.aap.org.

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possible but may change at any time.

# Dosing for Infants and Children From Your Healthcare Professional

If possible, use weight to dose; otherwise, use age.

# Dosificación para Bebés y Niños Recomendada por su Médico

De ser posible, use el peso para determinar la dosis; de lo contrario, use la edad.



# Infants' TYLENOL® Oral Suspension

Active Ingredient: Acetaminophen 160 mg (in each 5 mL)

Use product only as directed.

Dose: Every 4 hours as needed. DO NOT GIVE MORE THAN 5 DOSES IN 24 HOURS.

mL = milliliter

Ingrediente activo: Acetaminofén 160 mg (por cada 5 ml)

Use únicamente según las indicaciones.

Dosis: Cada 4 horas según sea necesario. NO EXCEDA MÁS DE 5 DOSIS EN 24 HORAS.

ml = mililitro

WEIGHT (PESO)	6-11 lbs	12-17 lbs	18-23 lbs	24-35 lbs	
AGE (EDAD)	0-3 months/meses	4-11 months/meses	12-23 months/meses	2-3 years/años	
DOSE (DOSIS)	1.25 mL	2.5 mL	3.75 mL	5 mL	
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# Children's TYLENOL® Oral Suspension

Active Ingredient: Acetaminophen 160 mg (in each 5 mL)

Use product only as directed.

Dose: Every 4 hours as needed. DO NOT GIVE MORE THAN 5 DOSES IN 24 HOURS.

mL = milliliter

Ingrediente activo: Acetaminofén 160 mg (por cada 5 ml)

Use únicamente según las indicaciones.

Dosis: Cada 4 horas según sea necesario. NO EXCEDA MÁS DE 5 DOSIS EN 24 HORAS.

ml = mililitro

WEIGHT (PESO)	24-35 lbs	36-47 lbs	48-59 lbs	60-71 lbs	72-95 lbs
AGE (EDAD)	2-3 years/años	4-5 years/años	6-8 years/años	9-10 years/años	11 years/años
	5 mL	7.5 mL	10 mL	12.5 mL	15 mL
DOSE (DOSIS)	5 mL	7.5 mL	10 mL	12.5. mL	15 mL

#### IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS FOR PROPER USE

Today's Date:

This dosing recommendation from your doctor will expire in 14 DAYS.

- Read and follow the label on all TYLENOL® products.
- Repeat dose every 4 hours while symptoms last.
- Do NOT give more than 5 doses in 24 hours.
- Do NOT use with any other product containing acetaminophen.
- Use only the dosing device (syringe or dosing cup) that came with the product.
- All Infants' TYLENOL® and Children's TYLENOL® Oral Suspension products have the same acetaminophen concentration (160 mg/5 mL).

#### INSTRUCCIONES IMPORTANTES PARA EL USO ADECUADO DEL PRODUCTO

Esta dosis recomendada por su médico expirará en 14 DÍAS.

- Lea y siga las instrucciones de la etiqueta en todos los productos TYLENOL®.
- · Repita la dosis cada 4 horas mientras los síntomas persistan.
- NO exceda más de 5 dosis en 24 horas.
- NO lo use con ningún otro producto que contenga acetaminofén.
- Use únicamente el dosificador (jeringa o medidor) que viene con el producto.
- Todos los productos TYLENOL® para bebés y TYLENOL® para niños, suspensión oral contienen la misma concentración de acetaminofén (160 mg/5 ml).