



Frequently Asked Questions

1. How often does my child need to come in for visits?

When children are young it is important that they are seen for checkups often to assess their health, growth, and development. At Your Corner Pediatrics, we follow the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) recommendations. We would like to see your child at:

3 days of age	9 months
1 week	12 months (vaccines)
1 month	15 months (vaccines)
2 months (vaccines)	18 months
4 months (vaccines)	24 months (2 years)
6 months (vaccines)	2 ½ years

Age 3-21 years have one annual visit. With recommended/vaccines at age 5, age 11, age 16, and age 18.

2. What is your vaccine plan?

At Your Corner Pediatrics, we will follow the vaccine schedule as recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics. As providers, we feel strongly that all kids should be vaccinated with the required vaccines. If you have questions or hesitancy, we are happy to have conversations with you to ease your concerns and answer any questions you may have. While we will not deny membership to those who choose not to vaccinate, please know it is something we feel strongly about. We can utilize some pain-free measures for those kids with sensory issues or fear of needles. There are many great vaccine information resources available. Here are a few:

Healthychildren.org

<https://www.aap.org/en/patient-care/immunizations/>

Dr. Paul Offit: Director of Vaccine Education at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

<https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLUv9oht3hC6QqIBv9oDNOr8tdSjgtpGob>

Note about Covid Vaccine: We encourage the covid vaccine in all approved populations. We do not currently offer the vaccine in office but hope to in the future. For now you can get your child's covid vaccine in numerous places such as your local pharmacies. Please check with your pharmacy to see if they offer it. We understand there are lots of questions/concerns regarding this vaccine in the pediatric population- especially the 6 month-5 year age groups. While we encourage it, we also understand it is something that a parent has to be comfortable with. We are happy to discuss it with you in detail to help you make the best decision for your child and family. We encourage you to follow "your local epidemiologist" on social media or email for information, updates, and statistics regarding the covid vaccine. She provides frequent updates with links to academic and reputable studies etc.

3. What if my child gets sick or hurt after hours?

Families are busy and we are aware that issues will arise outside of business hours. Through our Spruce app, you will be able to contact Katie or Elizabeth at any time. We will get a hold of you via text, email, or phone and discuss the issue to determine the best course of action. Sometimes this will be a virtual visit (similar to facetime), after hours office visit, or home visit. If you have a true medical emergency, we recommend calling 911 or going to your nearest emergency room.

How to reach us after hours: SPRUCE APP, or call (317) 458-9076. The spruce app can be downloaded in apps, it was also sent to you when you became a member. You can also go to spruce.care/yourcornerpediatrics

4. What if my child has a fever?

Fever is not an illness and generally should not be feared. It is usually a sign that the body is fighting an infection. Please encourage your child to rest and increase their fluid intake. Fevers under 101 degrees do not require treatment unless your child is uncomfortable. Acetaminophen (age 2 months+) and ibuprofen (age 6 months+) may be used to reduce the fever. Dosages are available on the product label, follow recommendations based on the child's weight. Other treatments include lukewarm baths or washcloths, lightweight clothing, and encouraging fluids.

Newborns: These little ones need to be watched closely if they seem to have a fever, especially if they are less than 8 weeks old. Their temperature should be taken under the arm. Ear thermometers and forehead thermometers are not as accurate in this population. If their temperature is over 100.4 degrees, please contact us immediately. Also, watch for refusal of two or more feedings in a row, vomiting of two or more feedings, less than 2 wet diapers in 24 hours, and excessive irritability or lethargy.

5. How do we get our child's medical records sent to you when we join?

You can easily request records from your previous PCP or specialists by going to our website main page, scrolling down to the bottom, clicking on "patient forms", and downloading to email to other providers or print and drop off to them. If you are having any trouble with this let us know and we can fax a request ourselves.