

If you're unsure, always **err on the side of caution** and reach out to the on-call **Provider** for guidance at 508-362-5727 *Looking for some common medicine dosing information?*  
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## ▲ DIRE EMERGENCY – CALL 911 OR GO TO THE ED

- **Difficulty breathing** (gasping, wheezing, turning blue, retracting)
- **Severe allergic reaction** (swelling of face/lips, difficulty breathing)
- **Seizures** (especially first-time or prolonged seizures)
- **High fever** with a stiff neck, confusion, or unresponsiveness
- **Severe injury** (head trauma with vomiting, broken bones, deep cuts)
- **Uncontrolled bleeding**
- **Severe dehydration** (no urine for 8+ hours, extreme lethargy)
- **Suicidal thoughts and or mental health crisis dial 988, or 911, or go to ED**
- **Ingestion of toxic substances or medications** (*Call Poison Control: 1-800-222-1222*)

Fever over 100.4 in a baby 2 months and under- always proceed to the Emergency Department.

## URGENT BUT NOT A DIRE EMERGENCY – CALL ON-CALL

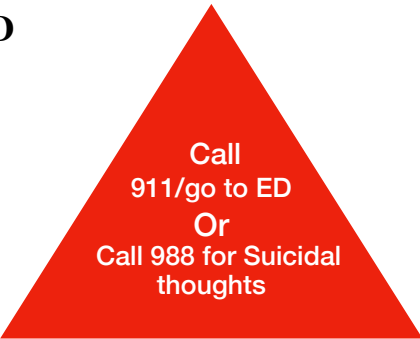
- **Fever over 100.4°F (38°C) 2 months to 2 years old**
- **Persistent vomiting or diarrhea** with signs of dehydration
- **Worsening breathing symptoms** (cough, wheezing, or fast breathing without severe distress)
- **Rash spreading rapidly** or with fever
- **Persistent ear pain or drainage**
- **Eye redness** with swelling, pain, or discharge
- **Worsening abdominal pain** (especially right lower area pain)
- **Worsening cold/flu symptoms** (*fever lasting more than 3-4 days*)
- **Pain or swelling of joints**
- **Concerns about medication reactions**

Fever over 100.4 in a child 2 yrs old and older with difficulty breathing and/or with signs of dehydration and/or concerning behavior (irritability or lethargy).

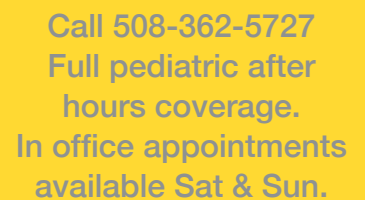
## MILD SYMPTOMS – CALL DURING ROUTINE OFFICE HOURS

(Not urgent, can wait for routine office hours)

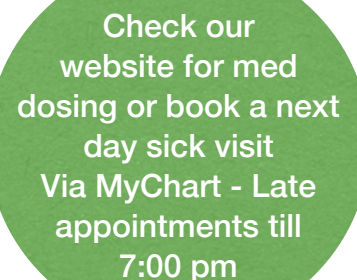
- **Mild cold symptoms** without fever
- **Mild diarrhea** with normal urine output
- **Minor rashes** without other symptoms
- **Occasional vomiting** without signs of dehydration
- **Sleeping or feeding concerns** (*without urgent symptoms*)



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Or  
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thoughts



Call 508-362-5727  
Full pediatric after  
hours coverage.  
In office appointments  
available Sat & Sun.



Check our  
website for med  
dosing or book a next  
day sick visit  
Via MyChart - Late  
appointments till  
7:00 pm