## **Children's Medical Group**

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## **Fever and Pain Control**

Acetaminophen, as in Tylenol and ibuprofen (as in Advil or Motrin) are quite effective as fever reducers and pain controllers. Remember that fever is one of the body's natural responses to infection, and does play a useful role in killing germs. When children have fevers but are not particularly uncomfortable, it is perfectly reasonable not to use any medication at all.

We provide the dosing chart below because the product you purchase may not indicate the dose needed for infants or young children.

For Acetaminophen dosage – please refer to the FAQ related to this particular

## **Ibuprofen Dosage Chart**

	Infant			Junior	
Weight	Drops	Suspension	Chewable	Strength	Adult
	50 mg		50 mg	100 mg	200 mg
	/1.25 ml	100 mg / 5 ml	tablet	tablet	tablet
6-11					
lbs.					
12-17					
lbs.	1.25 ml	1/2 tsp			
18-23					
lbs.	1.87 ml	3/4 tsp			
24-35					
lbs.		1 tsp	2 tablets	1 tablet	
36-45				1 1/2	
lbs.		1 1/2 tsp	3 tablets	tablets	
46-54					
lbs.		2 tsp	4 tablets	2 tablets	1 tablet
55-65				2 1/2	
lbs.		2 1/2 tsp	5 tablets	tablets	1 tablet
66-87					1-2
lbs.		3 - 3 1/2 tsp	6-7 tablets	3 tablets	tablets
88 lbs.					
& over		4 tsp	8 tablets	4 tablets	2 tablets

<sup>\*\*</sup> The does should be administered every 6 hours, if needed