

Help! My child with Hemophilia is sick. Whom Should I Call?

A Guide on when to call your child's Hematologist or Pediatrician

When your child has hemophilia, it can be confusing when he is sick. This chart should help you decide who to call when your child has one of the listed complaints or other physician needs.

Complaint	Hematologist	Pediatrician
Abdominal pain	X	X
Anxiety, depression or other mental health condition	X	X
Concerns about behavior		X
Concerns about drugs, alcohol, etc. use		X
Concerns about growth / weight / nutrition		X
Cough without fever		X
Ear pain or ear infection without fever		X
Dental Procedures	X	
Fever*		X
Headaches	X	X
Immunizations		X
Increased jaundice (yellowing of eyes)	X	
Injury / trauma (head injury, broken bones, stitches)	X	
Joint swelling	X	
Nose bleeds	X	
Pain	X	
Pale, unusually tired, other signs of anemia	X	
Physical exams for work / school / sports		X
Pink eye / conjunctivitis		X
Prescription refills	Contact the provider who wrote the prescription	
Rashes		X
Runny nose		X
School difficulty		X
Seasonal allergies, food allergies		X
Sexual / fertility issues		X
Sleeping disturbances		X
Surgery	X	
Urinating more often/ burning		X
Urine with blood	X	
Upset stomach (vomiting/diarrhea)		X
Vomiting with head trauma	X	
Wheezing / asthma symptoms		X



Comments: *=If the patient has a port or central line, the hematologist should be contacted if the patient has a fever.

My child's **hematologist**, Dr. _____ can be reached during normal business hours (8 am-5 pm) at: _____ and after hours at: _____
 My child's **pediatrician**, Dr. _____ can be reached during normal business hours (8am-5pm) at: _____ and after hours at: _____

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