

**Subject: Acetaminophen (Tylenol) Dosing**

We recommend the following weight-based guidelines when dosing acetaminophen:

<b>Child's Weight</b>	<b>80 mg/0.8 ml Infant Drops</b>	<b>160 mg/5 ml Liquid</b>	<b>80 mg chewable</b>	<b>160 mg chewable</b>
6-11 lbs.	0.4 ml	1.25 ml	Not Recommended	Not Recommended
12-17 lbs.	0.8 ml	2.5 ml	Not Recommended	Not Recommended
18-23 lbs.	1.2 ml	3.75 ml	Not Recommended	Not Recommended
24-35 lbs.	1.6 ml	5 ml	2 tablets	Not Recommended
36-47 lbs.	Not Recommended	7.5 ml	3 tablets	Not Recommended
48-59 lbs.	Not Recommended	10 ml	4 tablets	2 tablets
60-71 lbs.	Not Recommended	12.5 ml	5 tablets	2.5 tablets
72-95 lbs.	Not Recommended	15 ml	6 tablets	3 tablets
95+ lbs.	Not Recommended	Not Recommended	Not Recommended	4 tablets

Children over 95 lbs. may comfortably follow adult dosing recommendations.

Acetaminophen is dosed every 4-6 hours as needed for fever or pain.

Fevers in infants less than 3 months old can represent more serious illness. Unless your child received vaccines in the past 24 hours, you should consult the office before administering acetaminophen to infants under 3 months.