

How To Know If Your Child's Injury Or Illness Is Really An Emergency

As a parent, it can be difficult to know when your child's injury or illness is serious enough to warrant a trip to the emergency room. Here are some tips to help you make the decision.



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When to go to the emergency room

You should take your child to the emergency room if they have any of the following symptoms:

- * Difficulty breathing
- * Chest pain
- * Abdominal pain
- * Head injury
- * Seizures
- * Loss of consciousness
- * Vomiting or diarrhea that is severe or persistent
- * Fever that is over 104 degrees Fahrenheit
- * Rash that is spreading or accompanied by fever
- * Any other symptom that is severe or that you are concerned about

When to call the doctor

You should call your doctor if your child has any of the following symptoms:

* Fever that is over 101 degrees Fahrenheit * Vomiting or diarrhea that is mild or intermittent * Rash that is not spreading or accompanied by fever * Cough or cold that is not improving * Earache * Sore throat * Minor injury

When to stay home

You can stay home if your child has any of the following symptoms:

* Mild fever (under 101 degrees Fahrenheit) * Cold or cough * Minor injury that is not bleeding or causing pain * Rash that is not spreading or accompanied by fever

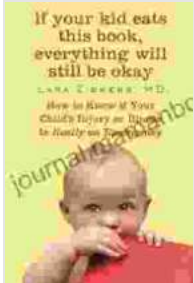
How to make the decision

If you are unsure whether or not to take your child to the emergency room, it is always best to err on the side of caution and call your doctor or go to the emergency room.

Here are some additional tips to help you make the decision:

* Trust your instincts. If you feel like something is wrong, even if your child's symptoms are not severe, it is always best to get checked out. * Consider your child's age and overall health. Younger children and children with chronic health conditions are more likely to have serious complications from injuries or illnesses. * Look for any changes in your child's behavior. If your child is acting lethargic, irritable, or confused, it could be a sign of a serious illness. * Call your doctor or go to the emergency room if your child's symptoms are not improving or are getting worse.

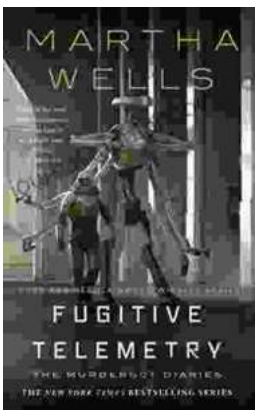
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