

Tips for Finding a Pediatrician

- Your family will need to visit a pediatrician within the first week after leaving the hospital.
- Plan ahead to avoid the pressure and frustration of finding a pediatrician right before your baby is discharged from the hospital.
- Ask your Health Coach or social worker if you need help finding a doctor for your baby.
- Decide whether the pediatrician's office needs to be close to your home, job, or day care.
- Call the pediatrician's office to ask if they accept your current health insurance and if they are accepting new patients.
- Ask the pediatrician's office what your co-payment and responsibilities are.
- Ask the pediatrician's office which doctor your baby will see at every visit.
- Ask the pediatrician's office if a doctor is on-call 24 hours a day for emergencies.

