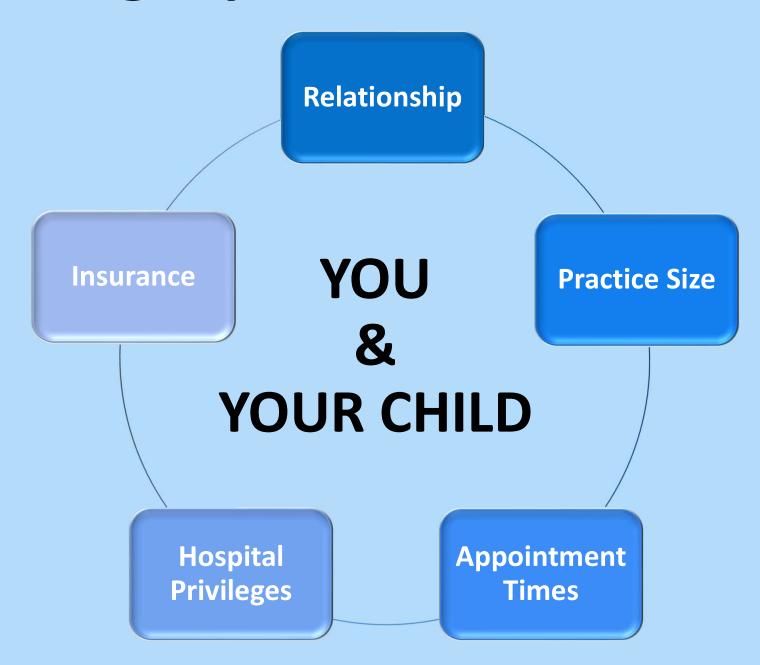


# WELCOME TO NORTH AUSTIN PEDIATRICS! NEWBORN BASICS





### Choosing a pediatrician:





# Before the delivery date:



Up-to-date immunizations for all contacts
Flu & Tdap shots at least two weeks before delivery
Tdap gives antibodies to the baby with each pregnancy



Take a breastfeeding class & find your child's pediatrician



Purchase a breast pump and car seat Bring car seat to the hospital



# Baby is born!!

- Vaginal delivery: 36 to 48 hours in hospital
- C-section: three to four days in hospital
- Tell staff who the pediatrician will be
- Doctor will examine the baby within 24 hours (and each subsequent day)
- If born on a weekend or holiday, baby will be seen by the on-call provider
- Baby stays with mom in the hospital room
- Call insurance to add baby





# Metabolic screening:



Texas screens for 52 disorders



First test done at 36 hours of life

Second test done in second week of life with physician



Screens for treatable conditions

E.g. mental retardation, metabolic disorders, CF, sickle cell anemia, immune deficiencies, etc.



#### Other tests:



Bilirubin: First screen done at 36 hours of life

Jaundice; higher risk if premature or if mother has O blood type



Hearing screen

Needs to be diagnosed very early to be able to intervene



Congenital Heart Disease Screen

"Meds x 3": Vitamin K, erythromycin, Hep B



#### Circumcision:

The AAP's medical stance is "neutral plus"



Lower risk of urinary tract infections (UTI) in first 1-2 years of life; Lower risk of STDs and cancers in the future



Fewer hygiene problems



#### **Visiting North Austin Pediatrics**



Newborn follow-up

1-2 days after discharge home



Well Child Checks

2 weeks then 2, 4, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 24, 30 months and then yearly at age 3 and up



#### **Practice Philosophy:**



We're a small practice; therefore, you're a priority



We strongly encourage breastfeeding



We follow the CDC guidelines for childhood immunizations



We're conscientious about prescribing antibiotics



#### More about us:

- 8 providers in 3 locations
  - Leander
  - Cedar Park
  - North Austin Medical Center
- 8-12 well visits per day; 20-25 patients seen per day per provider
- 30 minute well child checks and 15 minute sick visits
- Schedule sick visits on the day of illness
- Monday-Friday 7:45-4:30; Saturday first call, first serve
- Nurse triage available when office not open
  - Calls cost 25<sup>\$</sup>
  - If you speak to physician, call costs 35<sup>\$</sup>
- Students: High school, medical school, resident physician



# In case of emergency:



Nurse triage with on-call physician always available after hours



PM Pediatrics Urgent Care Round Rock, Austin Regional Clinic, Austin Diagnostic Clinic, Urgent Care for Kids, TX Childrens Hospital Urgent Care



Emergency departments: St. David's North Austin Medical Center or Dell Children's Medical Center



#### Fever:



100.4° F or greater



This is an emergency under two months of age



Temperature taken rectally in first three months



#### ZZZZZZ...



No more than a three-hour stretch in first two weeks Babies need eight to twelve feeds per day



Baby ready for sleep-wake cycle at ~4 months



Alone, on their Back, and in their own Crib



## Crying? Don't panic



Crying peaks at six to eight weeks of life



Prioritize sleeping



Accept help





# Keep in mind:

As much as we'd like them to, babies do NOT follow a schedule

Babies LOSE WEIGHT in the first three to five days

Your baby will not know how experienced you are

We are here for you!!

You'll hear a lot of advice, but what works for your child matters most





# Thank you!

We look forward to meeting your baby!