When Should You See Your Pediatrician?

You should always feel free to contact your child’s pediatrician when your child has a fever, especially if behavior is altered or other troubling symptoms (such as rash, vomiting) are present.

The best advice for when to see a pediatrician is to first take an accurate temperature, using one of the methods described above.

If your child’s temperature falls outside the ranges listed in the Range of Normal temperatures for your thermometer, you should contact your pediatrician. They will want to know the time of day the temperature was taken, temperature reading, type of thermometer used and whether the reading was taken orally, rectally, or by using the underarm. This will help determine if you should visit your pediatrician.