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OTC MEDICATION RECOMMENDATIONS PER SCHMITT/THOMPSON GUIDELINES

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Medication	Indication	Dosage	Special Instructions
Benadryl 12.5mg/5ml	Hives or itchy rash	12 months and older- 1mg/kg every 6-8 hours as needed Continue up to 12 hours after hives have resolved	May dose ages 6-12 months x1 prior to sending to ER for severe hives/reaction.
Hydrocortisone 1% Cream	Itchy rash	Apply to affected area 3 times a day	Do not apply to the face of infants
Lotrimin Antifungal Cream	Ringworm Diaper rash with suspected yeast	Apply to affected area 2 times a day	
Claritin	Hay fever / Seasonal allergies	Not recommended for patients less than 2 years of age. >2 years of age follow package instructions.	
Cetirizine	Hay Fever/Seasonal Allergies	6 months - 2 years of age: 2.5 mL every 24 hours. 2 years and older: follow package directions	
Tylenol	Discomfort, Fever >102	15mg/kg every 4 hours as needed	Infant and Children's is the same concentration. Do not exceed 5 doses in 24 hours
<u>Motrin</u>	Discomfort, Fever >102	10mg/kg every 6-8 hours as needed	Only in children 6 months and older

<u>Miralax</u>	Constipation	<u>1-5</u> years of age - 1 tsp (5ml) in 2 oz liquid of choice <u>6-12</u> years of age - 2 tsp (10ml) in 4 oz liquid of choice <u>13</u> years and older - 3 tsp (15ml) in 6 oz liquid of choice Capful dosing: 1 capful equals about 3 teaspoons or 1	
		Tablespoon (15 ml). The cap comes with the product.	
Glycerin Suppository	Constipation	2 months to 1 year ½ pediatric supp (cut lengthwise) or ½ liquid glycerin 1-6 ½ pediatric supp 1/2 liquid glycerin 1-6 ½ Adult supp (cut lengthwise) 6-12 6-12 years of age - 1 adult supp >12 years of age - 2 adult supp	
Liquid Antacid (Maalox/Mylanta)	Mouth lesions or ulcers	<u>1-6</u> years of age - put a few drops in the front of the mouth. Can also put it on with a cotton swab up to 4 times a day.	
		>6 years of age - Swish and spit 5ml up to times a day as needed.	
Simethicone Drops (Mylicon)	"Gas pain" in infants	0.3mg every 2 hours as needed	May put directly in mouth or mix with bottle Do not exceed 12 doses per day