## Helpful Tips to assure you receive the service you deserve!

In a hurry? - ask for appointments during the 2:00 hour when schedules are
lighter, or first appointment of the morning/afternoon.
Sports/Back to School Forms - bring completed physical exam forms during
exams or request 1-2 months before needed to avoid student exclusion. Keep
copies for multiple uses.
<u>Immunization Records</u> - make sure to get copies for your child's vaccine
record after their 2, 5, 12 & 18 year visits. Keep copies at home in an
accessible secure place as these are often needed even as an adult.
Same Day Appointments - phones open at 7:45-8:00 am, call early for best
available times.
Need Evening Appointments - schedule appointments 3-4 months in advance as
evening hours book up quickly (remember after hours fee apply).
Physical/Well Child Exams - book at least 2-3 months in advance. Your child
should be scheduled at 1,2,4,6,9,12,15,18 & 24 months and annually 3-18 years
of age.
Avoid No Show Fees - call at least 24 hours before appointment time for
reschedules and cancellations during office hours 8-4:30 M-F.
<u>Prescription Refill Voice Mail</u> - requests will be completed by 24 hours. Annual
Physical Exams and Timely Medication Checks are necessary for refills to be
completed.
<u>Billing</u> - Bring Current Insurance, Photo Id & Copays to each visit.
<u>Patient Balances</u> - Receiving a bill you do not believe is your responsibility?
Call our billing department immediately while problem can still be corrected
(614-882-8006). Insurance Companies have timed filing limits for claims &
appeals. Delayed action will leave you responsible for the balance.
Referrals - If your insurance requires a referral from your Primary Care
Physician to see a specialist, be sure to let us know well in advance to avoid
being rescheduled and for maximum coverage by your insurance.
<u>Urgent Care/Hospital Visit</u> - Talk to one of our physicians on call after office
hours. They may very well save you a costly and inconvenient trip to the
hospital or confirm the need for immediate medical care.
Flu Clinic Info - avoid calling the office and watch our web site at
<u>www.associatedpeds.com</u> for date postings. This helps keep our phone lines
open to care for your ill child.