



Babies lose weight during their first week. The doctor will assess for excessive weight loss (>8-10%).

- The doctor will examine for jaundice and discuss whether a bilirubin blood test would be advisable.
- Most newborns develop rashes on their face or body. We will check for any concerning rash and will check the umbilical cord site.
- Your baby's head may still be misshapen from the birth process. The doctor will check for any problems.

Let your doctor know today if...

- Any relative of yours had a baby who became very ill in the first months of life.
- Your baby becomes sweaty and out of breath during feedings.
- Your baby does not move both arms and both legs equally.
- You are worried about your baby's hearing or vision.
- You are worried about your baby's growth, development, or behavior.
- You are feeling overwhelmed or sad about the baby or unable to enjoy being with the baby.
- You are having trouble with breastfeeding.
- You have a particular concern that's always on your mind.

Your next visit

At the two to four week old visit your doctor will...

- Compare the growth measurements to those from this visit.
- Discuss your baby's feeding and stooling patterns.
- Check the result of the Newborn Screen (heel stick "PKU" test). Be sure to bring the pink slip with the Newborn Screen ID number with you.
- Discuss upcoming vaccines.


