



Fifteen Month Visit

This is a remarkable age when a child realizes that sounds have meaning and start to employ words instead of gestures or tears. To help him or her along, try to be consistent and articulate in your speech and encourage them when they choose to use words.

What should my fifteen-month old be doing?

All babies develop at different rates. Please do not be discouraged or worried if your child has not achieved the following milestones by 15 months.

At this age, your child should:

- Explores everything
- Begins to use objects appropriately (comb through hair) and mimics activity
- Picks up objects from standing position
- Adds gestures to speech
- Learns cause-effect relationship (repeats enjoyable actions)
- Looks for hidden objects in last place seen

What vaccines and/or screening tests should I expect at this visit?

At this visit your child will receive the Hib and Varicella (chicken pox) vaccines. If the season is appropriate, your child may also receive the Influenza vaccine. In addition, if your child is at risk for lead exposure they may be screened at this visit.

