Your Baby at 2 Months

Child's Name Child's D.O.B. Today's Date Email

How your child plays, learns, speaks, and acts offers important clues about your child's development. Developmental milestones are things most children can do by a certain age. Check the milestones your child has reached by his or her 1st birthday.

What Most Children Do at this Age:

Social/Emotional

- Begins to smile at people
- Can briefly calm himself (may bring hands to mouth and suck on hand)
- □ Tries to look at parent

Language/Communication

- Coos, makes gurgling sounds
- Turns head toward sounds

Cognitive (learning, thinking, problem-solving)

- Pays attention to faces
- Begins to follow things with eyes and recognize people at a distance
- Begins to act bored (cries, fussy) if activity doesn't change

Movement/Physical Development

- Can hold head up and begins to push up when lying on tummy
- Makes smoother movements with arms and legs

Act Early by Talking to Your Family Doctor if Your Child:

- Doesn't respond to loud sounds
- Doesn't watch things as they move
- Doesn't smile at people
- Doesn't bring hands to mouth
- Can't hold head up when pushing up when on tummy

If you or your doctor are still concerned talk with someone in your community who is familiar with services for young children in your area such, such as your states public early intervention program. For more information go to www.helpmegrow.fcoe.org or call (866)Kids-HMG.

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