Giving Your Baby Oral Medicines

Know the name of the medicine and what it is for

- Carefully read the label of each medicine before giving it to your baby.
- Know why your baby needs to take this medicine.



Know the dose

- It is best to use an oral syringe to give liquid medicine to a baby.
- Avoid using teaspoons because they are not precise.
- Ask the pharmacist to mark the syringe at the dose you need to give.
- Keep the syringe with the corresponding bottle and color code them.
- Know how often to give the medicine

Ask your baby's doctor or the pharmacist what to do in case you miss a dose.

Know possible side effects

- Always observe your baby for any bad reactions to the medicine.
- Call your baby's doctor in case of a bad reaction.

Use the following chart to convert teaspoons to milliliters

Teaspoon	Milliliter
1	5
2	10
3	15
4	20