

BABY MAY BE ILL, BETTER CALL DOCTOR

Many new parents are alarmed when baby becomes ill. Each symptom may be magnified greatly out of proportion and upset Mom and Dad unduly. On the other hand, there are also those parents who hesitate to call the doctor unnecessarily and are afraid of making nuisances of themselves.

Doctors, however, are used to the ups and downs of early parenthood and don't mind being called even when there are false alarms. So don't waste time worrying. Just phone your doctor and feel confident that he will do whatever is necessary after hearing you describe the condition of the child.

Things to tell the doctor about are:

1. A cold
2. Fever
3. Vomiting
4. Refusal to eat for more than a day's time
5. Continual crying or wailing as though he were in pain
6. Failure to gain over a period of a week or two
7. Diarrhea
8. Any other condition that you don't understand and that worries you.