

# Interview Questions For Choosing Your Baby's Doctor

## Pre-appointment questions for office staff:

1. Do you accept my insurance?
2. What are your office hours?
3. Who answers the phone when I call for a medical question during office hours ?
4. Who answers after hours?
5. Can you give me 3 references?

## Questions for the Doctor:

1. What credentials do you have and from what institution, how long have you been in practice?
2. What facilities are you privileged to practice? (I.e. Will he/she be able to do your child's exam at the hospital or admit to a local children's hospital should need arise)
3. Who is in practice with you?
4. Who covers when you are sick or on vacation?
5. What are your feelings about breastfeeding?
6. What are your feelings about supplementation with formula?
7. Are you affiliated with a lactation consultant?
8. What is your opinion about circumcision?
9. What vaccinations do you recommend and why? (this is especially important if you wish NOT to vaccinate, many practices will not accept non-vaccinated children)
10. Do you provide information about normal growth and development of the baby?
11. How do you evaluate and treat children with possible allergies?
12. How do you recommend treating colic?
13. How do you feel about attachment parenting: co-sleeping, baby wearing?
14. Do you feel babies being born by c-section need to be treated differently in the post partum period?
15. How often do you recommend well-baby checks and why?