



Shining His light from infancy to adolescence

Information regarding your child's well check appointment

Today is your child's well child check up (physical). We will be addressing routine topics of growth, development, nutrition, vaccinations, social and emotional health.

If you need to bring up medical issues that are either chronic in nature or if your child is sick when you bring them in, you have two options:

1. We will complete both the well child appointment and treat the medical issue at the same time. **We will charge for both services** and your insurance company will **most likely require you to pay a copay and/or deductible amount** for the chronic/sick concern that is addressed.
2. If the child is too sick or the chronic condition is too significant to complete during the physical, we will treat the medical issue at Dr. Tavaniello's discretion and reschedule their well check appointment.

Please be aware that some insurances REQUIRE that we reschedule the well check appointment and only address the sick issue. This is beyond our control.

We have not changed our billing practices. **We have always charged for all the services we provide and will continue to do so in accordance to insurance billing mandates and contracts.** We are required to follow standard billing guidelines and codes. Not doing so is insurance fraud on our part and would break our contract with the insurance carrier.

Your insurance plan may have changed and although they will cover both services at one appointment, they will **likely require you to pay your copay or deductible for the additional service.** This is out of our control and you should speak to your insurance company or human resources department if you have concerns.

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