

IMPACT OF RSV ON YOUR FAMILY

Respiratory Syncytial Virus, or RSV, is a common virus that affects nearly 100% of babies by the age of 2.



RSV usually causes mild to moderate cold-like symptoms, but in some babies, it can cause a serious infection.



Premature babies are at heightened risk for severe RSV disease! Premature babies, those born earlier than 37 weeks gestation, are at high risk for developing severe RSV disease due to their underdeveloped lungs and immature immune systems.





Severe RSV disease is the leading cause of infant hospitalizations in the U.S., with approximately 125,000 hospitalizations and up to 400 infant deaths each year.

RSV season usually occurs from November through March for most of the U.S., but can vary regionally and from year to year.





When a child gets RSV, it affects the entire family.





Although one-third of mothers have never heard of RSV, all parents should know the signs and symptoms of RSV disease, including:



or wheezing

Persistent coughing



Rapid, difficult, or gasping breaths



Bluish color around the lips, mouth, or fingernails



in infants under 3 months of age)

Fever (especially if it is over 100.4°F

TIPS TO PREVENT RSV DTSFASF Since there is no

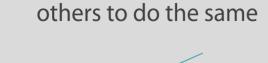


treatment specific for RSV disease, prevention is critical. All parents should:



child may be at increased risk













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PARENTS SHOULD SPEAK TO THEIR HEALTH CARE PROVIDER TO LEARN HOW TO KEEP THEIR BABY SAFE THIS RSV SEASON.



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