

Ibuprofen (Motrin/Advil)

This medication is a fever reducer and pain reliever. It is not for use in children 6 months or younger. Please be aware that there is an infant suspension (50 mg/1.25 mL) and a children’s suspension (100 mg/5mL), which are dosed differently. Always look closely at the concentration in liquid suspensions and number of milligrams in capsules or tablets to make sure they match the chart. Always dose based on weight if weight and age do not match.

Ibuprofen (Motrin/Advil) Dosing – Every 6 hours as needed (Do not use in children < 6 months old)					
Weight (lbs)	Age	Infant drops (50 mg/1.25 mL)	Children’s Suspension (100 mg/5 mL)	Children’s Chewable (50 mg)	Junior Strength Chewable (100 mg)
12-17	6-11 months	1 dropper = 1.25 mL	2.5 mL = ½ tsp		
18-23	12-23 months	1 ½ dropper = 1.875 mL	3.75 mL = ¾ tsp		
24-35	2-3 years	2 dropper = 2.5 mL	5 mL = 1 tsp	2 chew tabs	1 chew tab
36-47	4-5 years	3 dropper = 3.75 mL	7.5 mL = 1 ½ tsp	3 chew tabs	1 ½ chew tabs
48-59	6-8 years		10 mL = 2 tsp	4 chew tabs	2 chew tabs
60-71	9-10 years		12.5 mL = 2 ½ tsp	5 chew tabs	2 ½ chew tabs
72-95	11 years		15 mL = 3 tsp	6 chew tabs	3 chew tabs
> 95		Children 12 years and older and above 95 pounds who can swallow pills may take 2 adult (200 mg) capsules or tablets			