# Nasal hygiene in children

A guide for parents

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#### What is rhinitis?

SYMPTOMS

# **BALANTIS BALANTIS BA**

blocked nose

sneezing

runny nose

## reduction of the sense of smell

excess mucus dripping down the back of the throat

# DID YOU KNOW?

Rhinitis is always accompanied by inflammation of the paranasal sinus mucosa, even if your child doesn't feel the symptoms!

#### Why does rhinitis occur?



### Infections

Entering daycare or kindergarten means having a lot of fun with the peers, but also bringing home unwanted guests – **infectious diseases**. Infections followed by a rhinitis are a common problem among children below the age of 6 years. Babies, toddlers, and preschoolers can catch a cold even 7-8 times a year!

Viruses are everywhere. Children are more prone to infections while they are **building up their immune system**. 15% of children suffer from recurring infections of the respiratory tract. When the viruses that cause colds first infect the nose and sinuses, the nose produces mucus to clear itself. This helps to wash the virus out from the nose and sinuses.

#### Why does rhinitis occur?

## Allergies



Who doesn't love spring? Look around: blooming flowers, green trees, and... pollen in the air. Ugh, the allergy season again. Unfortunately, the **symptoms can appear already in early childhood**. Other typical allergens include house dust mites, moulds, cat and dog hair.

The body treats allergens as germs, which results in a **stuffy** or **runny nose**. Add sneezing and itchy eyes to it - you get the recipe for **every parent's nightmare**. Symptoms occur within **minutes** after allergen exposure and **may last even for hours**.

# What is going on in the nose?

#### ethmoidal cells

Rhinitis might seem like nothing serious.

Sure, it bothers the baby (and therefore you), but "sooner or later it will pass by itself" - that's the popular belief. Well, **it's not entirely true**. Let's find out why.



Increased production of mucus is the body's response to viruses and allergens. **Mucus helps to flush out the nose and sinuses**, turning them into a real battlefield. But, left untreated, stagnating **mucus may cause significant** problems. nasal cavity

maxillary sinus

#### What is going on in the nose?



Stagnating secretion can lead to serious consequences such as bronchitis, sinus or middle ear infection, as well as mild to severe sleep disturbances. Medications (including antibiotics) often cannot be avoided in this stage!

Note: there are a lot of risk factors that predispose children to develop an **adverse reaction to a medicine**. Avoid them or apply them very carefully if needed. Remember, **prevention is better than cure**.



#### What is going on in the nose?



We have good news for you! By removing the nasal mucus you can not only improve your child's breathing, but you might also prevent illnesses and lower the risk of developing more serious illnesses. With correct nasal hygiene you can potentially avoid serious complications and reduce medication.

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#### Benefits of nasal aspiration

Based on **35 years of experience** gained during my work as an ENT, I believe that aspirating the nasal mucus is **highly advantageous**, and it is important **to secure nasal breathing!** Aspiration significantly **accelerates the healing process.** 

> **Erzsébet Hárságyi M.D.** ENT physician and audiologist

#### Benefits of nasal aspiration

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

#### FACT

Newborns can breathe almost exclusively through their nose till they are several months old. Try to take a breath through your nose when it's clogged! Not too comfortable, right?



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#### SOLUTION

By aspirating the nose, we **free the airways** and provide for the conditions of a **peaceful rest and feeding.** 

#### PROBLEM

When the nose is stuffy, the satisfactory oxygen supply is not secured, so the baby is restless. It's understandable, since they **cannot sleep soundly, suck their dummy, or suckle.** 

#### Benefits of nasal aspiration

## WITH THE HELP OF A NASAL ASPIRATOR, YOU MIGHT:

**prevent illnesses** of the upper airway,

reduce the usage of medications,

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#### QUIZ: Do you know all the myths about rhinitis?

#### RHINITIS IS A SERIOUS PROBLEM

FALSE

**TRUE!** Babies breathe mainly through their nose, so sleeping or eating is a struggle when it's clogged. That's what we call a problem.

TRUE

#### RUNNY NOSE HAS TO BE TREATED

FALSE

**TRUE!** Stagnant mucus can lead to complications and can be a symptom of more serious illnesses.

TRUE

#### YOU SHOULD ALWAYS USE THE STRONGEST SUCTION POWER

TRUE FALSE

FALSE! Start with the lowest effective suction power and increase it based on the density of the secretion. A NASAL ASPIRATOR WILL SUCK YOUR BABY'S BRAIN OUT



TRUE FALSE

**FALSE!** Don't worry, it's not possible! :)))

# What to do if your child catches a cold?

CHECKLIST	
I lots of <b>love and care</b>	
drinking water to prevent fluid loss	A
nasal rinsing with saline solution to thin the secretion in the blocked nose	
nose to clear the nasal passages	
<b>cool-mist humidifier</b> to ease breathing	315
vitamin-rich diet	
a lot of sleep and rest	
spreading the sickness	
in case the child's condition is severe - call the doctor!	



#### How to clear your child's nose effectively?

## STEP 1

Dry, very thick mucus can be dissolved by a **mild saline solution.** After using it, wait a few minutes and **wipe excess discharge with a tissue.** 



## **STEP 2**

Clear the child's nose with the help of a **nasal aspirator**. Removing thin mucus even from the lower cavities will be much **easier** now!



#### How to use the nasal aspirator?

Featuring: Nosiboo Pro Electric Nasal Aspirator



Turn on the device and select the correct suction power.

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Wash the parts with liquid soap and lukewarm water.

#### 2

Hold your child in a **stable position**. Insert the **nose tip** into the child's nostril. Move the nose tip **around gently**.

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#### Let the parts dry completely before the next Use.



## \* How to use the nasal aspirator?

## HINTS & TIPS



If the mucus is **thin**, you can use the device at a **lower setting**. If it is **thick** you can use the device at a **higher setting**.



Move the nose tip **around gently** to make sure that you **get all areas of the** nostril.



Thanks to the **collared tube** inside the head, **no secretion** will get into the tube or the device. It's **super** hygienic!

#### When to call the doctor?

#### CONSIDER CALLING THE DOCTOR WHEN YOUR CHILD:

- $\rightarrow$  has a high or long-lasting (>2 days) fever,
- suffers from severe coughing,
- Changed their daily activity: sleeps considerably less or more than usually,
- has trouble breathing,
- $\rightarrow$  experiences **ear pain**,



- $\rightarrow$  refuses to **eat**,
- $\rightarrow$  vomits or has diarrhea,
- → blows out **bloody** nasal discharge.

If your baby **is younger than 3 months** of age, call the doctor already at an **early stage of the illness**.

Now you know what to do when rhinitis attacks!



#### Get to know the Nosiboo family!

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The idea of **Nosiboo** came from **two young** engineer fathers whose families had to deal with **sleepless nights** after their infants came on board.

This is how **Nosiboo** was created - a series of **revolutionary nasal aspirators, child friendly** and **comfortable for parents** at the same time.

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#### Get to know the Nosiboo family!



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# Comfort & fun

# technology

family

designed to care

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