## HYPERTENSION IN CHILDREN



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## Hypertension means the condition in which the pressure in the blood vessels is higher than it should be.

- MYTH HYPERTENSION (HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE) IS A CONDITION THAT ONLY AFFECTS OLDER PEOPLE
- FACT Hypertension affects people of all ages. Number of hypertension cases are rising fast and shifting towards younger age.

and the second second	Some facts for Surat!! Children suffering with hypertension		
	1998 2.3% (One child among 50)	2011 6.48% (one child among 17)	
	Thakor HG, Kumar P, Desai VK. An epidemiological study of hypertension amongst children from various primary schools of Surat city. Indian J Community Med. 1998;23:110–5.	Buch N, Goyal JP, Kumar N, Parmar I, Shah VB, Charan J. Prevalence of hypertension in school going children of Surat city, Western India. J Cardiovasc Dis Resv.2(4); Oct-Dec 2011	

	To keep hypertension away				
	Children can take following actions				
Outdoor activity	Nourish yourself with healthy diet	Limited time for video- games, mobile games and TV	No much exam stress		
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	Parents can take following actions				
Parental control on seated activities	Interesting but nourishing food options	Helping your child in exam and other stresses management	Yearly check-up of children too		
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## Doctor Uncle's Advice



Beginning from the age 3 years, routinely measure the blood pressure of child

A normal blood pressure in children is as important as in adults. We need to monitor them regularly for signs of abnormality and maintain a healthy heart, as well.

If kids at an early age maintain good blood pressure then the risk for developing hypertension in the future may be avoided.

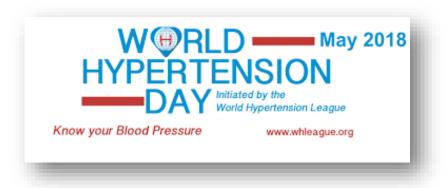


## Normal range of BP in children

http://www.bloodpressuremagazine.com/normal-blood-pressure-in-children-the-chart/

Age	Range
3 to 5 years	104/63 to 108/69 mm/hg.
6 to 9 years	108/71 to 121/81 mm/hg.
10-12 years	114/77 to 127/83 mm/hg
13-18	120/80 mm/hg

Normal blood pressure readings in children vary depending on the age, sex and height of the child.



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