

## HEALTH ASSESSMENT QUESTIONNAIRE - CHILDREN

This is a confidential health assessment questionnaire which is designed to provide insight into your child's health and behaviour and lifestyle. The following questions will assist in providing the best possible care for your child and in understanding the factors that may be playing a role in your child's health.

The following questionnaire is **not** designed to give a medical diagnosis. It will identify current strengths of your child's health, any risk factors that might be present, and it will be used by the Naturopathic Doctor to highlight recommendations that you may want to consider.

This questionnaire will take about 45 minutes to complete. The length of time that you take to answer the questions is completely up to you and has no bearing on the results.

### General Guidelines to follow when filling out the Questionnaire :

- Select the answer that is best suited to each question
- Read all questions carefully prior to answering
- Write in any response that is not provided on the questionnaire (e.g. if you do other exercises)

The Naturopathic Assessment for children is divided into nine categories:

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| A. General Information              | B. Parent's Health during Pregnancy                 |
| C. Family History and Information   | D. First Few Years of your Child's Life             |
| E. Past and Present Health Concerns | F. General Information on Diet                      |
| G. A Typical Day for your Child     | H. Understanding your Child's Patterns of Behaviour |
| I. Review of Physical Systems       |                                                     |

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*Please circle the response that is correct or fill in the blanks.*

### A. GENERAL INFORMATION

Current Date: \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
Day/Month/Year

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nick Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth order: \_\_\_\_\_  
Day/Month/Year

Number of Siblings: \_\_\_\_\_ Ages of other siblings: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Father's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

B. PARENT'S HEALTH DURING PREGNANCY

Age of mother at time of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age of father: \_\_\_\_\_

Did the mother work outside the home while pregnant: YES NO If yes, until when? \_\_\_\_\_

Comment on the mother's health during pregnancy (e.g. nausea/vomiting, diabetes, bleeding etc.)

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Comment on the father's health during conception: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Please list the quantity of the following used by the mother during pregnancy?*

Substance	Amt/ week	Substance	Amt/ week	Substance	Amt/ week
coffee		tea		water	
alcohol / beer / wine		drugs (prescription or recreational)		iron / vitamin supplements	
cigarettes		fruit		vegetables	
processed / fast food		sugar / chocolate		dairy / cheese	
bread / grains		meat / fish		nuts / seeds	

List any food cravings during pregnancy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Duration of pregnancy: \_\_\_\_\_ How many other pregnancies: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of delivery: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of hours in labour: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please circle any of the following that were used during the birth process:*

epidural          forceps          anaesthesia          sedation          other \_\_\_\_\_

Comment on the mother's health after pregnancy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Comment on the family environment at home: \_\_\_\_\_

**C. FAMILY HISTORY and INFORMATION**

*Please outline the health status of the following:*

	Present Health Status	Previous illnesses, injuries
Mother		
Father		
Siblings		
Grandparent(s)		
Other close relatives		

**LIFE CHANGE EVENTS**

*Please circle any of the following that your family has experienced since your child's birth or just prior to your child's current health concern(s):*

- death (family, close friend)      new baby      job loss      divorce
- marital separation      new family dynamic      retirement      change of residence
- parent's return to work      increased family stress      new school for child
- sickness of family member

Comment on any events that you feel may have affected your child: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**INFORMATION ON YOUR HOME**

Do you live in the country, suburbs or the city? \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any power lines / power stations etc. near your home? \_\_\_\_\_

Age of the home: \_\_\_\_\_ How is your home heated? \_\_\_\_\_

Type of flooring used in the home: \_\_\_\_\_

Any recent renovations (*what type and when*): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**D. FIRST FEW YEARS OF YOUR CHILD'S LIFE**

Comment on his / her health at birth (please list any complications): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Apgar score? \_\_\_\_\_ Onset of respiration: \_\_\_\_\_

Was he/she breast fed? YES NO If yes, for how many months? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, what was the mother's experience with breast feeding: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of formulae used (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Comment on your child's behaviour during the first six months of life for the points listed below:

Crying: \_\_\_\_\_

Sleeping: \_\_\_\_\_

Urination: \_\_\_\_\_

Defecation: \_\_\_\_\_

Comment on your child's health in his / her first year of life: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please list at what AGE that your child was with respect to the following:**

Rolled over on their own: \_\_\_\_\_

Sat up on their own: \_\_\_\_\_

Started crawling: \_\_\_\_\_ # of months he/she crawled: \_\_\_\_\_

Stood with support: \_\_\_\_\_ Stood on their own: \_\_\_\_\_

Started walking: \_\_\_\_\_ Walked up/down stairs: \_\_\_\_\_

Said their first word: \_\_\_\_\_ Able to put 2-3 words together: \_\_\_\_\_

Spoke sentences: \_\_\_\_\_ Started to count/recite alphabet: \_\_\_\_\_

Started teething: \_\_\_\_\_ Any problems with teeth? \_\_\_\_\_

Started eating solid food: \_\_\_\_\_ Is he/she a picky eater? \_\_\_\_\_

Food likes: \_\_\_\_\_ Food dislikes: \_\_\_\_\_

Started toilet training: \_\_\_\_\_ Completed toilet training: \_\_\_\_\_

Any problems during toilet training: \_\_\_\_\_

**HEIGHT AND WEIGHT DEVELOPMENT:**

<b><u>Height at birth:</u></b> _____ feet _____ ins. / _____ cms.	<b><u>Weight at birth:</u></b> _____ lbs / kg
<b><u>Height at 1 year:</u></b> _____ feet _____ ins. / _____ cms	<b><u>Weight at 1 year:</u></b> _____ lbs / kg
<b><u>Height at 2 years:</u></b> _____ feet _____ ins. / _____ cms	<b><u>Weight at 2 years:</u></b> _____ lbs / kg
<b><u>Height at 5 years:</u></b> _____ feet _____ ins. / _____ cms	<b><u>Weight at 5 years:</u></b> _____ lbs / kg
<b><u>Height at 10 years:</u></b> _____ feet _____ ins. / _____ cms	<b><u>Weight at 10 years:</u></b> _____ lbs / kg

Please list any period of rapid weight loss or gain (and describe): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Describe any developmental concerns: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**E. PAST AND PRESENT HEALTH CONCERNS**

**Childhood Illnesses / Accidents / Major Fall or Injuries** (please list including duration and treatment(s):

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Operations / Hospitalizations / Medications** (please list including duration and treatment(s):

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

*Please circle the following immunizations or vaccines that your child has had:*

Diphtheria      Pertussis      Tetanus      Hib      Polio      MMR

Has your child had any reactions? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

*Please circle any of the following symptoms that your child has displayed:*

eczema      rashes on face      roseola      ear infections      whooping cough  
croup      food intolerances      constipation      diarrhea      reaction to insect bites  
fevers      frequent colds      antibiotic use      stuttering      temper tantrums  
measles      chicken pox      convulsions      clumsy      excessive crying  
shyness      easy bruising      nose picking      bed wetting      need to be held  
asthma      hitting      biting      allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Your child's health concerns	When did they start?	Who noticed the concern?	Constant or intermittent?	Comments (impact to the family, event that may have initiated concern)

**F. GENERAL INFORMATION on DIET**

On a scale of 1 (low) - 10 (high) how would you rate your child's diet? \_\_\_\_\_

Why: \_\_\_\_\_

On average how many meals are eaten a day      1      2      3      4      5      + 5

What is the largest meal?:    breakfast    lunch    dinner    What time is the last meal? \_\_\_\_\_

List any supplements / prescription medications that your child is taking: \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any foods that he/she craves? \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any foods that he/she avoids? \_\_\_\_\_

Is any specific diet regime followed?    \_\_\_ vegetarian    \_\_\_ vegan    \_\_\_ other    \_\_\_\_\_

Please list what your child would typically have for:

Breakfast: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Lunch: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Dinner: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Snacks: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Other information on his/her nutrition: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

### G. A TYPICAL DAY FOR YOUR CHILD

During a typical day list the amount of time your child spends doing the following activities:

**Note: the total time will probably add up to more than 24 hours due to the nature of the question.**

Activity	Time (hours)	Activity	Time (hours)
Sleeping during the night		Sleeping during the day	
Eating		Playing outside	
Reading / Arts and Crafts		Exercising	
Watching television		On the computer i.e games, internet	
Playing on their own (not television)		Playing with others	
Time spent with mother / father		Time spent with caregiver (not parents)	

Describe a typical weekday routine for your child. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Describe a typical weekend routine for your child. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**H. UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD'S PATTERNS OF BEHAVIOUR:**

List the primary caregiver(s) for your child: \_\_\_\_\_

Bedtime routine: \_\_\_\_\_

Sleep patterns / quality: \_\_\_\_\_

Dreams or nightmares: \_\_\_\_\_

Interaction with siblings / other children: \_\_\_\_\_

Is your child more comfortable with men or women? \_\_\_\_\_

Behaviour around strangers: \_\_\_\_\_

Fears / Anxieties: \_\_\_\_\_

Discipline methods used at home: \_\_\_\_\_

Your child's response to discipline: \_\_\_\_\_

How did / does your child soothe himself/herself: \_\_\_\_\_

Age at which your child first attended day-care / nursery school: \_\_\_\_\_

Adjustment to day-care / nursery school: \_\_\_\_\_

Academic performance at school: \_\_\_\_\_

Any learning / comprehension concerns: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Social behaviour at school: \_\_\_\_\_

Sports / exercise your child enjoys: \_\_\_\_\_

Activity level: \_\_\_\_\_

Favourite activities: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

How does your child handle new environments / situations? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



Describe any behavioural concerns: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What characteristics are unique about your child: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Use of seat belt / car seat: \_\_\_\_\_

Use of helmet / safety equipment when playing: \_\_\_\_\_

Pets at home (type and number): \_\_\_\_\_

Does anyone smoke in the home? If yes please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**I. REVIEW OF PHYSICAL SYSTEMS**

Comment on the health history of the following systems.

System	Past concern?	Present concern?	Comments
Skin			
Head			
Mouth			
Eyes			
Ears			
Vascular system			
Nervous system			
Digestive system			
Urinary system			
Respiratory system			
Muscles and bones			
Endocrine system			

Please include any other information that you feel would be helpful in understanding and treating your child?

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Thank you for completing this questionnaire.