



Sibling Support

Infant (0 - 1 year)

The siblings of children who have frequent or extended medical experiences need support too; they are an important part of the family support system. We believe in supporting the whole family; whether the sibling experiences the medical setting or is cared for at home, ensuring their developmental and psychosocial needs are met, sets them up for mastering their individual experience and can be a positive coping support for the hospitalized child and family.

Developmental Roadblocks for Infant Siblings

- Difficulty in attachment due to separation from primary caregiver
- Disruption of routine
- Impaired basic trust
- Inconsistent caregivers

How to Help

- Consistency of caregiver(s) when possible
- Maintain daily routine with all caregivers
- Recognition of infants individual responses