

Urgent or Emergency? (The Costco Connection; Courtesy of Scripps.org)

Medical Symptoms Checklist: Symptoms that can be evaluated & treated at an Urgent Care Clinic include:

- Fever without rash
- Ear pain
- Painful urination
- Persistent diarrhea
- Sore throat
- Persistent vomiting or diarrhea
- Minor trauma such as common sprain or shallow cut

Symptoms that are best evaluated in an emergency room include:

- Persistent chest pain, especially if radiates to arm or jaw with sweating, vomiting, shortness of breath; severe heart palpitations
- Difficulty breathing
- Any severe pain, especially in abdomen or starting halfway on the back
- Clumsiness, loss of balance or fainting
- Sudden difficulty speaking or trouble understanding speech
- Altered mental status or confusion; sudden weakness or paralysis
- Suicidal thoughts or hurting oneself
- Sudden testicular pain and swelling
- Sudden vision changes, blurred or double vision, vision
- Broken bones or dislocated joints
- Deep cuts that require stitches
- Head or eye injuries
- Vaginal bleeding during pregnancy
- Seizures without a previous diagnosis of epilepsy
- Serious burns
- Newborn baby with fever of temperature over 100.4 degree

