Ear Piercing at Pediatric Associates of Savannah, PC

EAR PIERCINGS AVAILABLE

- The only location on the body we will pierce is the EAR LOBE.
- We will pierce no more than a total of two earrings per ear lobe.
- Only one pair of piercings (one in each lobe) will be performed at a visit.

PRICING

- Fees for ear piercing will not be filed against any insurance. All payments for this service are due at time of visit.
- Ear piercing fee (Fee includes earrings).

Both ears: \$70.00 One ear: \$35.00

SCHEDULING

- Ear piercing will be performed by appointment. Please call us at 912-355-2462 to schedule.
- Ear piercing will be conducted during a visit solely dedicated to that procedure. A separate appointment must be scheduled if you would like to see a physician for any other reason.
- At the present time, ear piercing will only be offered to current patients of Pediatric Associates of Savannah, PC.

EAR PIERCING FAQS

What are the advantages of having my child's ears pierced at Pediatric Associates of Savannah, PC?

- Pediatric Associates of Savannah, PC uses the Blomadhl medical ear piercing system, which we believe provides a safer procedure for piercing your child's ears. The Blomadhl system uses a sterile disposable cartridge that is replaced with every piercing.
- When having the procedure performed in a medical office, you have professional care from someone trained in medical technique and wound management. It also gives you ready access to medical professionals for any questions, problems, or concerns before, during or after the procedure.

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HOW OLD MUST CHILD BE TO HAVE HIS/HER EARS PIERCED?

- Ear piercing is available for children age 4 months to 12 months or 5 years and older who have had their vaccines, at the discretion of the pediatrician.
- Pediatric Associates of Savannah, PC reserves the right to cancel the procedure if they
 feel, for any reason, that the situation may be unsafe due to a child's unwillingness to
 cooperate.

WHAT KINDS OF EARRINGS ARE USED?

 The earrings come in a sterile cartridge attached to a piercing device. They are made from medical grade plastic with a crystal stud. Medical grade plastic is used because it is hypoallergenic.

WILL IT HURT?

 The child can experience a pinch and stinging sensation, similar to a vaccine injection, during the procedure. Most do not require any further pain medication. If desired, you can call the office in advance of your appointment and a topical anesthetic can be prescribed to your pharmacy for you to apply 30 minutes prior to your appointment.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Ear piercing is a minor surgical procedure with similar risks to stitches or abscess
drainage. Despite precautions, there is a small chance of infection, scarring, or allergic
reactions. Some people are prone to scarring and there is a small risk that a person
could develop a keloid (an overgrown scar) formation at the piercing site. We do ask
you sign an informed consent waiver at the time of the procedure to verify that you
have been notified of the risks.

HOW DO I CARE FOR MY CHILD'S EARS AFTERWARDS?

 After piercing, you must clean the ear lobe with soap and water or benzalkonium chloride solution twice daily. Every effort should be made to use clean hands whenever touching the ears or earrings. The initial piercing must be left in for 6 weeks before replacing. Please refer to our Aftercare Instructions for Ear Piercing handout for more detailed information.