TIME WASTED IS MUSCLE WASTED

KNOWING THE SIGNS COULD CHANGE LIVES





LISTEN to any concerns of parents and ask about their child's motor development

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"Her body lacks strength. She stopped meeting normal milestones and hasn't developed new ones."

"He doesn't walk as fast as the other children, and continues to fall more than normal."

"She can't hold her head up during tummy time."



LOOK for signs of motor development delay and muscle weakness

Is the child exhibiting any of these red flags?2

6 months	9 months	12 months	18 months
 Not reaching for or holding (grasping) toys Failing to roll Unable to hold head and shoulder up while on tummy 	 Unable to sit without support Not moving in creeping or crawling motion Not taking weight well on legs when held by someone 	 Unable to pick up small items using index finger and thumb Not standing holding on to furniture 	Not attempting to walk without supportNot standing alone



REFER immediately for an urgent appointment with your local paediatrician if any of these red flags are identified

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