

## Another “bronch” to know

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### **ANCHOR LEDE:**

You’ve likely heard of bronchitis (brnk-EYE-tiss), an illness that impacts the larger lung airways and leaves you feeling short of breath.

This winter, here’s another respiratory illness with “bronch” in the name to be aware of, especially if you have young kids: bronchiolitis (brnk-ee-oh-LYE-tiss).

Tim Ditman of OSF HealthCare has more.

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Symptoms include fever, runny nose, cough and dehydration. For most cases, you can manage symptoms at home. More serious cases require help breathing.

### **\*\*\*SOUNDBITE\*\*\***

**Awad Alyami (AH-wahd // all-ee-AH-me), OSF HealthCare pediatrician**

**“You need to see a doctor if your baby has trouble breathing at any time. Or if your baby is younger than three months and they have a fever. Or if they are older than three months and they have a fever for more than three days. Or if the child has signs of dehydration, like if they are making fewer wet diapers than normal.” (:17)**

That’s OSF pediatrician Doctor Awad Alyami.

I’m Tim Ditman.

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### **ANCHOR TAG:**

To avoid bronchiolitis, practice healthy habits, like staying home when sick. Also, R-S-V is the most common cause. So look into the R-S-V vaccine if you are eligible.