Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) is a common viral infection.

**Symptoms:**
Your child may have a cough, watery eyes, runny nose, stuffiness or sneezing. Symptoms may last for 7 days. People with severe RSV may wheeze and/or have lung congestion. RSV can be serious for premature babies and people with heart, lung or immune system problems. If your child is infected, it may take 2 to 8 days for symptoms to start.

**Spread**
- By coughing or sneezing
- By touching contaminated hands, surfaces or objects.

**Contagious Period**
For 3 to 8 days. Some infants can spread RSV for up to 4 weeks.

**Call your Healthcare Provider**
If anyone in your home has symptoms. Your doctor may want to test for the virus. Infants who are hospitalized may be treated with a special medication called an antiviral drug.