

What you should ask yourself before and after examining a paediatric patient?

Before:

- Do I have time to spend with patient?**
- Did I make good rapport with the parent and the child?**
- Are the parent and the child in good comfortable place and position?**
- Can I speak the language with which the parent is familiar?**
- Can I speak softly, politely with smiling face?**
- Do I have toys to console the child if the child cries?**
- Do I have paper and pen to write down the notes?**
- Can I answer all questions if asked by parent?**

After:

- What is my working diagnosis?**
- Can historical and clinical findings be related with the pathophysiology of my diagnosis?**
- Did all the patient's problems relate with the diagnosis?**
- Can I make a list of differential diagnosis?**
- Can I list investigations that will help to confirm the diagnosis?**
- Can I write a prescription for the diagnosis?**
- Did I explain the parent about the child's illness?**
- Did the parent understand what I have explained?**
- Does parent leave the room with smile in face?**