

2. *How to choose general practitioners and paediatricians for children*

When you register in the S.S.N., you choose your general practitioner and, if you have children aged less than 14 years, also their paediatrician. For children aged at least 6 years, it is possible to choose a general practitioner, if the doctor agrees.

In case of illnesses, the general practitioner and the paediatrician are the ones who prescribe drugs and specialized consultations, who write medical certificates for your sick leaves, who ask for hospitalization in non-urgent cases, who write medical certificates to let children back to school after sick leaves, who write exercise safety certifications etc. You can change your general practitioner or paediatrician at any time.

How to choose or change your general practitioner:

Find out the modalities to choose or change your general practitioner or paediatrician at the following link:

<https://www.uslcentro.toscana.it/index.php/servizi-e-attivita/medico-di-famiglia/2657-scelta-e-cambio-del-medico-di-famiglia-o-del-pediatra>

You can choose or change your general practitioner at the health registry offices ("anagrafe sanitaria"). You can schedule an appointment by calling the number 055-545454 button 2 from Monday to Friday, 7.45 am – 6.30 pm, on Saturday and the days before public holidays, 7.45 am – 12.30 pm (facilities: D'Annunzio, Santa Rosa, Canova, Morgagni, Le Piagge).