3M™ Littmann® Classic II Pediatric and Infant Stethoscopes

Commonly Asked Questions

Question:
Will either the pediatric or infant stethoscope offer the same sound quality and intensity as the Cardiology III when using the small side?

Answer:
The diameter of the pediatric diaphragm is the same as that of the pediatric stethoscope. The tunable diaphragm, along with the design of the small side of the Cardiology III chestpiece, offers better sound especially in the low-frequency end of the spectrum. Sound intensity of the Cardiology III stethoscope is greater than that found in the infant stethoscope. The need for good surface contact at the auscultation site would be the reason a practitioner would use a smaller stethoscope. The Cardiology III offers greater versatility than either the infant or pediatric stethoscope.

Question:
Can I use the infant stethoscope on neonates?

Answer:
Most neonatal specialists report that the diameter of the bell and diaphragm on this model is still too large to get good surface contact. If the infant is larger, the Classic II infant model would be appropriate.

For More Information
Contact your 3M Health Care Sales Representative, or call the 3M Health Care Customer Helpline at 1-800-228-3957. These products can be ordered from your local distributor. Outside the United States, contact the local 3M subsidiary.