

Case

- HPI: PJ is a 4 yo boy referred to the allergy and immunology clinic by his pediatrician after his 3rd hospitalization for pneumonia w/ sepsis. Mom says he is “always sick.” His first pneumonia required hospitalization at age 15 months for 5 days, with treatment including IV antibiotics. His most recent pneumonia was a few weeks after his 4th birthday, also with hospitalization. Mom does not remember her pediatrician commenting on any unusual organisms found by culture. She believes his height/weight and developmental milestones are appropriate for age. Currently he feels well, and mom agrees he does have period of weeks without fever or concern for infection, but these are rare.
- PMH: 1 difficult to treat chronic ear infection for months, bacterial meningitis at age 3, and on average 6-8 colds per year.
- PSH: None
- Social/Env: PJ lives with mom, dad, a 7 yo sister (otherwise healthy) and a cat. He is in day care.
- Family: No known immunodeficiencies. However, mom does comment her brother died in childhood before she was born.
- Birth: NSVD at full term. Mom denies any complications during pregnancy.
- Vaccines: PJ has received all age appropriate vaccinations so far without complication.



PJ at his 2 y/o checkup

Any other questions?

You may not initially think to ask these questions, but these are some pertinent positives/negatives for an immunologic history.