### Atopic Dermatitis (AD) or Eczema

**Symptoms include**
- itching, dry skin, rash, cracked skin, and darkening or creasing of skin around the eyes

**More on Atopic Dermatitis**
- Atopic dermatitis (AD) is considered to be part of the “atopic march.” This involves the diagnosis of eczema, food allergy, allergic rhinitis, and asthma — typically in that sequential order.
- Studies show up to 80 percent of children with eczema develop asthma and/or allergic rhinitis later in childhood.
- With the high prevalence of co-existing allergies, guidelines recommend testing for allergies in certain patients.
- Unmanaged AD can have a significant impact on quality of life for the patient and family.

### Referral Details

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**Shortest wait to first appointment**
- within 1 week
- up to 3 months

**Fewer visits and decreased patient cost**
- ability to treat allergic co-morbidities of AD reduces need for dermatology visits
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### Refer a Patient

- **Phone**
  - 937-641-4000 phone
  - 7:30 am to 8:00 pm Monday through Friday

- **Fax**
  - Fax referral: [childrensdayton.org/refer](http://childrensdayton.org/refer)
  - Fax referral forms:
    - 937-641-4500 fax
    - 1-866-891-6941 toll-free fax
  - 24 hours a day

### Allergy & Immunology Clinic

- **Phone**
  - 937-641-5130

Dayton Children’s pediatric allergy and immunology clinic treats and manages a wide range of allergic diseases, including food allergy, asthma, allergic rhinitis, atopic dermatitis (eczema), stinging insect allergy, drug allergy and urticaria as well as immune deficiency disorders.