What is hydrocele?
A hydrocele is a buildup of fluid around the testicles. It is painless, and in most cases, the amount of fluid is smaller in the morning and gets larger during the day.

What tests are needed to diagnose the condition?
There is no test required. The diagnosis is confirmed by physical exam by one of our specialists.

What should I expect at the appointment?
Your child will be seen and evaluated in our Pediatric Surgery clinic by one of our pediatric surgeons or the physician assistant. If your child only has a hydrocele and is younger than 1 year old, surgery is not required. If your child is older than 1, we will schedule outpatient surgery. You and your child will arrive at the hospital on the morning of surgery and return home the same day.

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