

BALANITIS

IN CHILDREN



Balanitis is the swelling of the glans penis. It can develop at any age and mostly occurs in boys below five years.



COMMON CAUSES



- ✓ Irritation from soap, shower gels, or urine
- ✓ Poor hygiene in the genital area
- ✓ Bacterial or fungal infection
- ✓ Skin conditions, such as eczema and psoriasis
- ✓ Diabetes



SIGNS & SYMPTOMS

- ✓ Swelling, itchiness, and redness
- ✓ White spots
- ✓ Foul odor
- ✓ Tightening of the foreskin
- ✓ Painful urination



PREVENTIVE MEASURES



- ✓ Keep the genital area dry and clean with lukewarm water
- ✓ Avoid possible irritants, such as harsh soaps and shower gels
- ✓ Avoid retracting the foreskin often