

# Constipation--Rome IV Neonate / Toddler Criteria for Constipation

Rome IV Criteria for Constipation -Neonate/Toddler, Benninga et al. (2016)

One month of at least 2 of the following in infants up to 4 years of age:

- Two or fewer defecations per week
- History of excessive stool retention
- History of painful or hard bowel movements
- History of large diameter stools
- Presence of large fecal mass in the rectum

In toilet trained children, the following criteria may be used

- At least one episode/week of incontinence after the acquisition of toileting skills
- History of large diameter stools that may obstruct the toilet