Icons and Illustrations

The role of icons and illustrations

Icons and illustrations both play an important role in visually bringing the Banner brand to life, though they differ in both style and function.

While icons represent and clarify content—often emphasizing a singular idea—illustrations help to convey a broader range of ideas, drawing a viewer into a narrative.

Icons are literal and are intended to bring clarity to their subject. Icons can be especially helpful for emphasizing and differentiating specific points within a larger set, making content easily scannable and hierarchical. Illustrations are useful for depicting larger thematic concepts, using metaphor and visual narrative. Illustrations fall into two subsets, spot illustrations and full illustrations, which will be explained in the following pages.

As a shorthand: Icons are used to clarify content while illustrations are used to complement and enrich it.

Our three categories: icons, spot illustrations, and full illustrations.



Icon

- · Immediately signals an obvious idea
- · Single, simple shape that represents one singular object
- · Single line-weight
- · One color



Spot Illustration

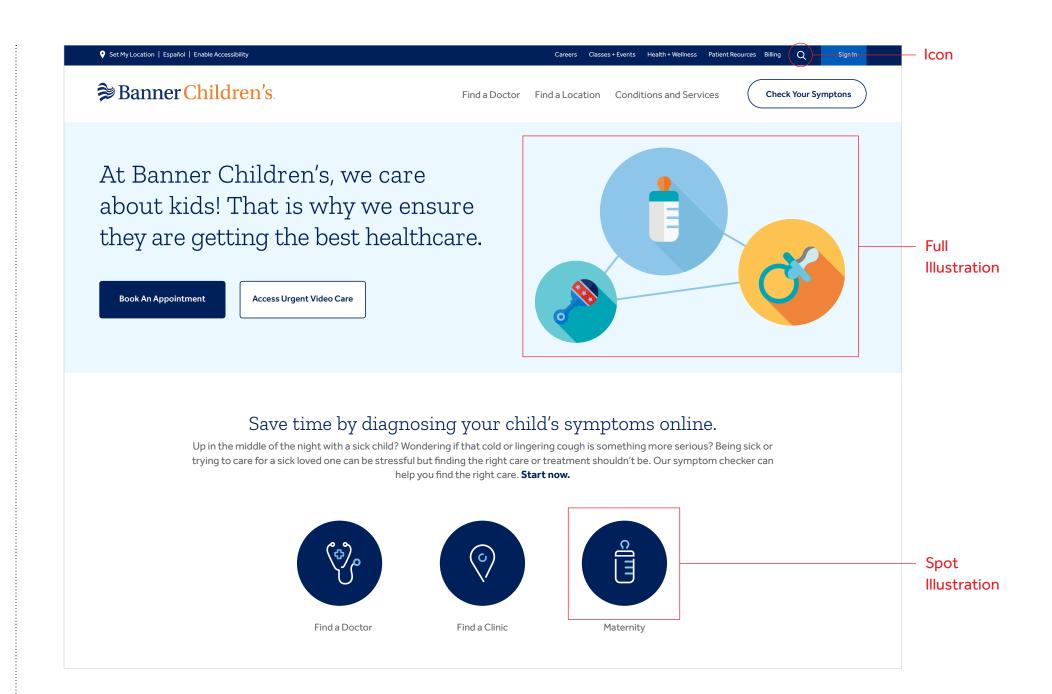
- · Conveys a singular idea or meaning, but can include more nuance or interpretation than an icon
- · Typically accompanied by a title, caption or some other contextualizing verbal content
- · While still a simple shape, can represent compound or interrelated objects
- · Allows addition of a little more detail such as added simple line-strokes, but still with single line weight
- · Allows the addition of a second color, as long as the second color is a shade or variation of the primary color; also allows the use of white or reverse-out to white
- · Spot illustrations are generally contained within a solid circular holding shape in a tone of the color used in the illustration



Full Illustration

- Tells a story rather than conveys a single idea
- · Not limited to "line-drawing"
- · Multiple colors
- · Has a holding shape, but doesn't have to be circular
- · As the example above shows, full illustrations can be formed by bringing multiple spot illustrations or icons into the same composition

Our three categories in use



Icons are not logos

It's important not to confuse icons with logos. Icons are not used in place of an identity or 'brand' for products or business units. Icons are visual shortcuts that help distill the most important thing for a reader to know or do.

If a particular icon is developed to represent a specific product or service, that should then be used consistently to represent the product or service. More generic or abstract concepts will likely lend themselves to representation by spot illustration or full illustration rather than by icon.

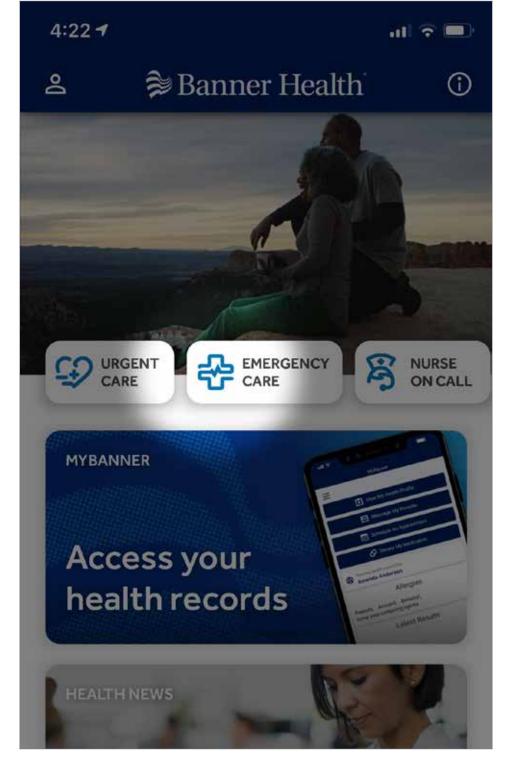
Icon usage examples

Examples of appropriate applications for icons:

- To help a user navigate a website or interface.
- Accompanying a series of descriptions or information, like steps in a process, services offered, or main takeaways in research findings.

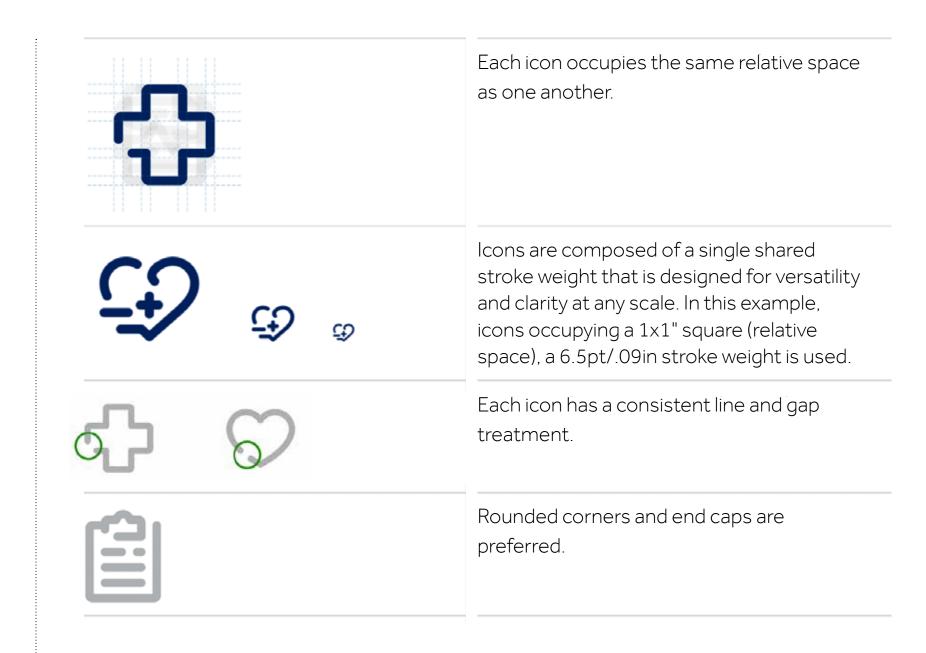
Examples of inappropriate applications for icons:

· Representative of a product or service line (or as a substitute for a logo) in print advertising.



Example of appropriate application of icons.

Technical specifications for icons applied in user interfaces



Icons must be approved to ensure a library of icons that are both effective in meaning and demonstrate a consistent brand style

















Approved Service Line Icons







Primary Care

Urgent Care

Emergency Care

Approved Social Media Icons

Social Media icons should always appear in monochrome (no shading effects), in either primary blue, secondary blue, white, or gray. The same relative size should be maintained.







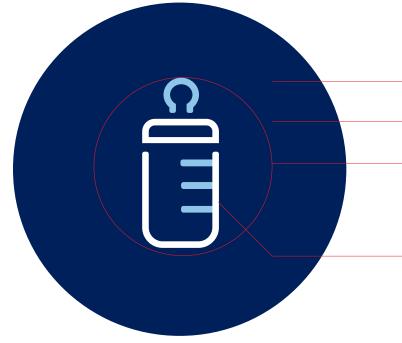


Spot Illustrations

You can think of spot illustrations as a bridge between icons and full illustrations. They begin to expand the focus beyond what is appropriate for an icon while still keeping things relatively simple.

- · Spot illlustrations convey a singular idea or meaning, but can convey a broader interpretation than an icon
- · While still a simple shape, can represent compound or interrelated objects
- · Allows addition of a little more detail such as added simple line-strokes, but still with single line weight
- · Allows the addition of a second color, as long as the second color is a shade or variation of the primary color)

Two-color line art option



OVERALL SPECIFICATIONS

Containing shape: spot illustrations should always appear centered in a disc shape

Containing shape color: any color from the approved Banner palette may be used

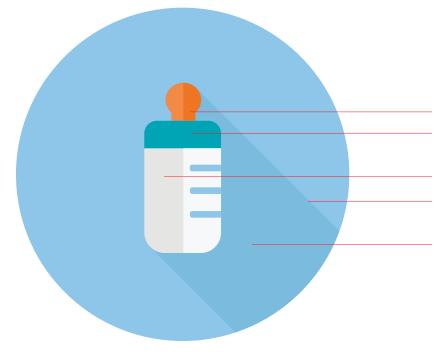
Icon proportion within disc: the icon should occupy approximately 1/4 of the area of the disc, and not extend outside the disc

Two-color line art option:

Icon line art: use a single, consistent the line weight; square corners are allowed when visually preferable

Color: in this two-color line art option, reverse white is preferable as one of the two colors

Full-color long shadow option



Full-color long shadow option:

Solid art: all color shapes are solid, not line art

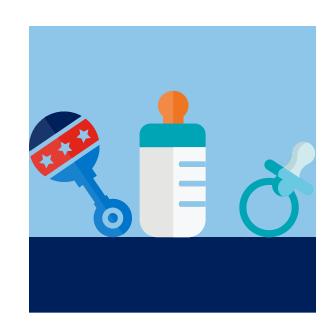
Color: in the long shadow option any color from the approved Banner palette my be used

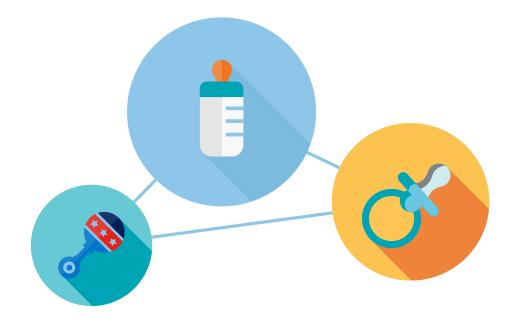
Color shading: use subtle color differences to suggest dimension **Long shadow angle:** the shadow falls at a 45 degree angle down and to the right from the icon and ends at the edge of the disc

Long shadow color: the shadow should be a slighly darker version of the background color

Full Illustrations

Full illustrations allow us to bring more complex scenarios or concepts to life for Sofia in ways that are warm, human and accessible. A full illustration allows us to inform and educate simply, while also providing richer context and emotional impact.





Examples of appropriate applications for illustrations:

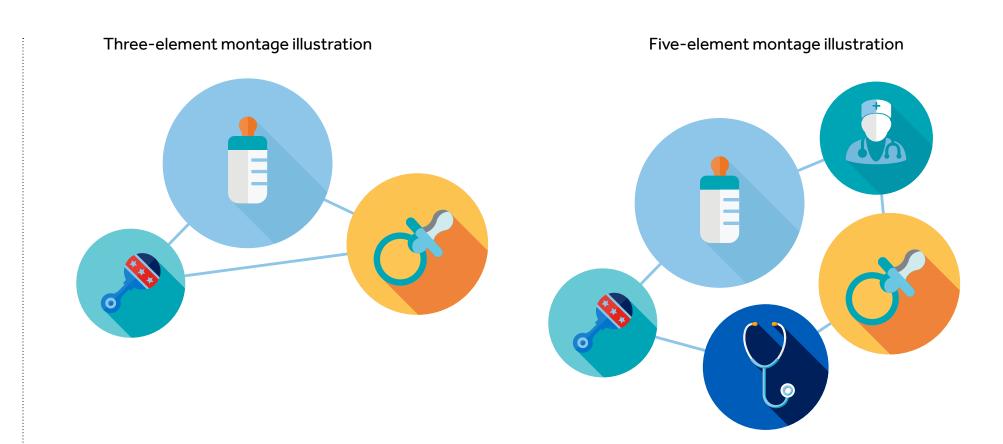
- \cdot As a hero image on a marketing website.
- \cdot As the main subject matter of an advertisement (motion graphics, print).
- \cdot As an accompaniment to text in a web interface.
- \cdot A detailed visual which explains a process or procedure.

Examples of inappropriate applications for illustrations:

- · At scales so small that the recommended level of detail cannot be achieved.
- \cdot To replace text entirely so as to require a reader to make assumptions of the content.
- \cdot As part of a user interface where a user is expected to perform an action.
- · Generally, illustrations support storytelling, while icons aid navigation.

Full Illustrations: Montage

Long shadow spot illustrations can be grouped in a montage to create a full illustration. In this way mulitple subjects in combination are used to communicate complex concepts without the need to create a full single illustration.



Guidelines for montage illustrations:

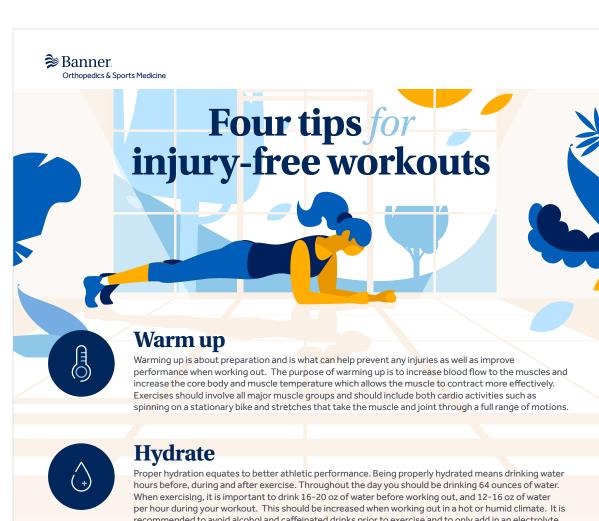
- · A montage should only contain long shadow spot illustrations (not the line art option).
- \cdot The long shadows should all follow the same 45 degree angle (do not rotate the illustrations)
- \cdot Use a minimum of three and a maximum of five illustrations in the montage grouping.
- \cdot Use a different background color for each illustration whenever possible.
- \cdot Link the illustrations by a 4 pt. rule aligned to the centers of each illustration.

Full Illustrations: Detailed

More detailed illustrations can be created if needed, provided they are in the flat color style consistent with the spot and montage illustrations.







recommended to avoid alcohol and caffeinated drinks prior to exercise and to only add in an electrolyte drink if exercising greater than 60-90 minutes. Water helps regulate body temperature, lubricates your joints, boosts energy levels and can help to prevent cramps and allows your body to perform at its best.



Cool down

Just as important as warming up, cooling down helps your body regulate your heart rate and temperature and helps you from feeling sick after a workout. A cool down should last 5-10 minutes and can consist of performing the same exercise just at a lower intensity or rate. Stretches are typically done during or just after cooling down. These are stretches that are held for at least 30 seconds to increase your flexibility and can decrease general muscle soreness post workout.

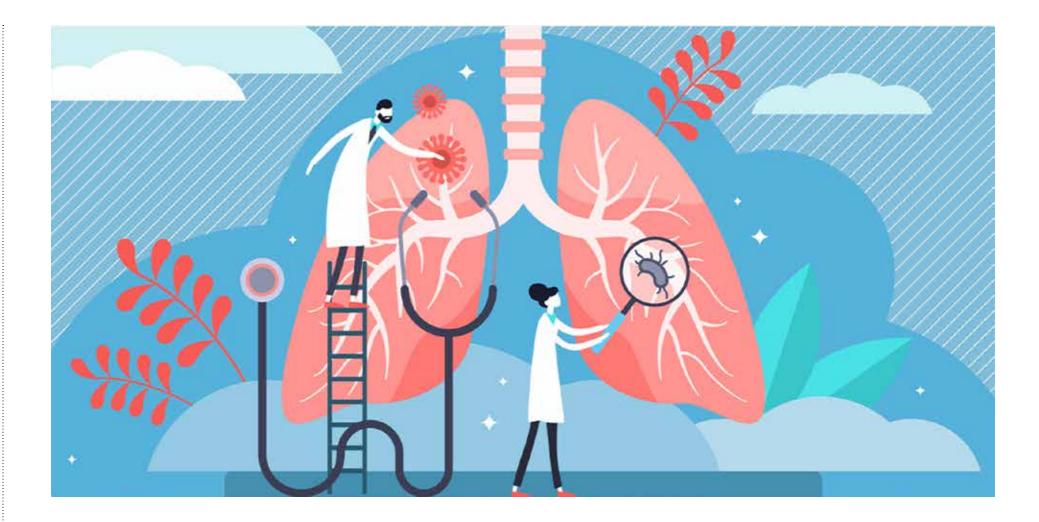


Get the gear

 $Utilizing \ the \ proper \ gear-whether \ that's \ shin \ guards \ or \ a \ helmet \ and \ wrist \ protectors-gearing \ up$ will guard the parts of your body most at risk for any activity you do. If your sport requires protective gear, always make sure to wear it when playing your sport and that the equipment is in good working order. From supportive shoes to safety equipment, make sure you're well-outfitted for your activity.

Full Illustrations: Detailed, cont.

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Brand Resources

For any questions regarding the Banner Health brand, its implementation, or these guidelines, please contact the brand team:

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