



Visible Bruising or Injury to a Fully Mobile Baby, Child or Young Person

If a child requires urgent medical attention ring 999

Is history and presentation consistent with mobility, age and development of child?

- Record events/history and presentation
- Record bruising/injury on body map ([link to body map](#))
- Record child's explanation

Yes

No

Advise parents
Identify unmet needs or risks

Potential non accidental
injury or assault

No further
action and
consider
information
sharing with
relevant
agencies

Refer to
other
services re
early help
HWC

Other
safeguarding
concerns

Refer to the Cumberland Advice & Support
Service on 0333 240 1727

Discuss and agree with Cumberland
Children Advice & Support Service,
immediate concerns, supervision of child,
medical assessment arrangements,
transport and sibling protection.

Children's Social Care refer to on-call Paediatrician for assessment. Children's Social Care
will share relevant social care information with paediatrician to support assessment.

Likely accidental injury

Likely non-accidental injury

Strategy discussion
actions for Child and Family

If parents/carers do not present for paediatric assessment within expected timeframe, alert
Children's Social Care Social Worker/Cumberland Children Advice & Support Service and
consider Police contact (999) for welfare check and follow up.



Visible Bruising or Injury to a Non-Mobile Baby, Child or Young Person

If a child requires urgent medical attention ring 999

No urgent care required

Refer to the Cumberland Advice & Support Service on 0333 240 1727

Discuss and agree with Cumberland Children Advice & Support Service any immediate concerns, supervision of the infant, medical assessment arrangements, transport and sibling protection.

Safeguarding Hub to refer to on-call Paediatrician for prompt assessment. SG Hub will share relevant children's social care information with paediatrician to support assessment.

Likely accidental injury even after professional curiosity and respectful uncertainty has been explored.

Discuss outcome with Social Worker and parents; agree next steps and further medical assessment/intervention or support for family.

Likely non-accidental injury

Strategy discussion to agree safeguarding actions for child and any siblings.

If parents/carers do not present for paediatric assessment within expected timeframe, alert Children's Social Care Social Worker/Cumberland Children Advice & Support Service and consider Police contact (999) for welfare check and follow up.



Visible Bruising or Injury to Babies, Children and Young People becoming Mobile

Bruising or injury on a child who is becoming mobile, e.g. crawling, rolling, pulling to stand or 'furniture' walking. Babies that have taken their first steps remain extremely vulnerable - Early movers don't bruise easily.

If a child requires urgent medical attention ring 999

Record events/history and presentation. (Link to body map).

Record bruising/injury on body map.

Is history and presentation consistent with mobility and developmental stage of infant/child?

Yes

No safeguarding concerns, likely accidental or possible medical cause.

Consider the underlying cause of the medical injury.

Advice to parents/carers to address any unmet needs.

Consider further support/early help.
Alert Health Visitor to share.

Likely accidental injury

No

Refer to the Cumberland Advice & Support Service on 0333 240 1727

Discuss and agree with Cumberland Children Advice & Support Service any immediate concerns, supervision of infant/child, medical assessment arrangements, transport and sibling protection.

Children's Social Care will refer to on-call paediatrician for prompt assessment. Children's Social Care will share relevant social care information with paediatrician to support assessment.

Likely non accidental injury

Strategy discussion to agree safeguarding actions for the baby, child or young person and any siblings.

If parents/carers do not present for paediatric assessment within expected timeframe, alert Children's Social Care Social Worker/Cumberland Children Advice & Support Service and consider Police contact (999) for welfare check and follow up.