

How to Tell if Your Child is Being Abused

Child abuse can be physical, sexual, emotional, or neglectful. Recognizing the signs early is crucial for intervention and support.

Physical Abuse

Look for unexplained injuries like bruises, burns, or fractures. Frequent hospital visits or a history of injuries may also be indicators.

Sexual Abuse

Signs include difficulty sitting or walking, knowledge of sexual behavior inappropriate for their age, and unexplained STDs or pregnancy.

Emotional Abuse

Children may exhibit withdrawal, depression, low self-esteem, or behavioral extremes.

Neglect

Signs include poor hygiene, lack of supervision, malnutrition, or consistent tardiness or absence from school.

If you suspect abuse, it's vital to act. Contact local child protective services or call the Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-4-A-CHILD (1-800-422-4453). Your vigilance can make a difference in a child's life.

Visit the link below for more information.

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<https://medlineplus.gov/childabuse.html>



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