

# Flowchart for unexplained injuries or possible NAI

## INJURIES TO YOUNG CHILDREN

All injuries to young children and cause uncertain; repeated episodes; child not mobile; other welfare concerns

Medical history and examination by paediatrician.  
Check if child has a child protection plan / any SW records.  
Check previous hospital / A & E records.  
Discuss medical findings with duty consultant paediatrician.  
Consider medical investigations.

**If non accidental injury possible / probable  
or the injury is associated with neglect:**

Refer to duty social worker  
Social work discussion with police  
Consider investigations: blood / skeletal survey/ retinal exam by senior ophthalmologist [Retinal examination to be recorded in detail contemporaneously]  
Gather background information from HV and GP

**Initial Strategy Discussion** before decision about when child goes home

**Must include:** consultant paediatrician, social worker, police child protection team

**Decisions:** about risk, discharge plan, any further investigations; siblings

**Initial Assessment**  
**Medical report in writing asap**

**Child Protection Conference**