

## What should I expect during a visit to the Princess Royal Hospital Emergency Department?

Children can arrive only as a direct walk-in to the department.

The Emergency Department is located on the ground floor of the Princess Royal Hospital.

On arrival, you will be asked to register before being assessed by an A&E nurse. Children will then be asked to wait in the waiting room to be seen by the appropriate doctor. If they are very unwell, they will be seen immediately.

If your child requires admission they will be transferred to the Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital to be seen by a children's doctor and nurse.

## Alternative services who can help you include your GP or NHS telephone 111

### Useful numbers

**Walk-in centre 03333 210946**  
Open every day from 8am to 8pm, including bank holidays.  
[www.brightonstationhealthcentre.co.uk](http://www.brightonstationhealthcentre.co.uk)

Alternative services who can help you include your GP or for urgent NHS health advice 24 hours a day call 111

**For Horsham and Mid Sussex out-of-hours services please access**  
<http://www.horshamandmidsussexccg.nhs.uk/your-health/right-care-right-now/>  
or access their unique NHS Mobile web App [www.rightcarerightnow-nhs.net/](http://www.rightcarerightnow-nhs.net/)

**Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital 01273 696955 Ext. 2593** Children's Emergency Department (Health Visitors may make referrals to CED/CASU).

**Out of hours GP service 111**

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## Children's Emergency Services at Brighton and Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust

### Children's Emergency Department

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Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital, Brighton

Our dedicated children's emergency department (CED) opened in January 2012 and is located on Level 6 at the Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital.

We see babies, children and young people up to 16 years of age (16 years and 364 days) with everything from minor injuries to life threatening conditions.

We have specialist children's doctors and children's nurses able to attend to your child any time of day or night.

### Facilities include:

- Children's doctors and nurses 24/7
- Children's medical and surgical wards
- Children's High Dependency Unit
- Children's X-ray department
- Play specialists
- Children's nurse practitioners
- Outpatient clinics for minor injuries
- Specialist teams including paediatric surgery, paediatric orthopaedics, paediatric ENT and paediatric maxillo-facial surgery.

## What should I expect during a visit to our Children's Emergency Department?

Children arrive at the Children's Emergency Department by ambulance, by GP referral or as a direct walk-in to the department. The Children's Emergency Department is located on Level 6 of the Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital with its own dedicated entrance and ambulance bay opposite the multi-storey car park.

On arrival, you will be asked to register before being assessed by a children's nurse. Children will then either be asked to wait in the waiting room to be seen by the appropriate doctor. If they are very unwell, they will be seen immediately.

During working hours and some evenings we have a play specialist to help entertain and provide distraction for children while they wait and during procedures.

If your child requires admission they will be transferred to the ward, high dependency unit or direct to the operating theatres as their condition requires.

## Emergency Department

Princess Royal Hospital, Haywards Heath

The Emergency Department at the Princess Royal Hospital mainly provides treatment for children who have sustained a minor injury.

### This includes:

- Minor cuts and abrasions
- Sprains and strains of muscles and joints
- Minor broken bones (e.g. wrist and ankle)
- Superficial burns
- Minor head injuries

The service provided for children is open any time of day or night.

Children with minor illness should preferably be seen by their GP. All children with illness should be referred by your GP to the Children's Emergency department at the Royal Alexandra Children's hospital.

Any children who do attend the Emergency Department with illness will be assessed by the Emergency Department team.

Should your child require specialist review, observation after an injury or admission to hospital, they will be stabilised and transferred to the Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital in Brighton.