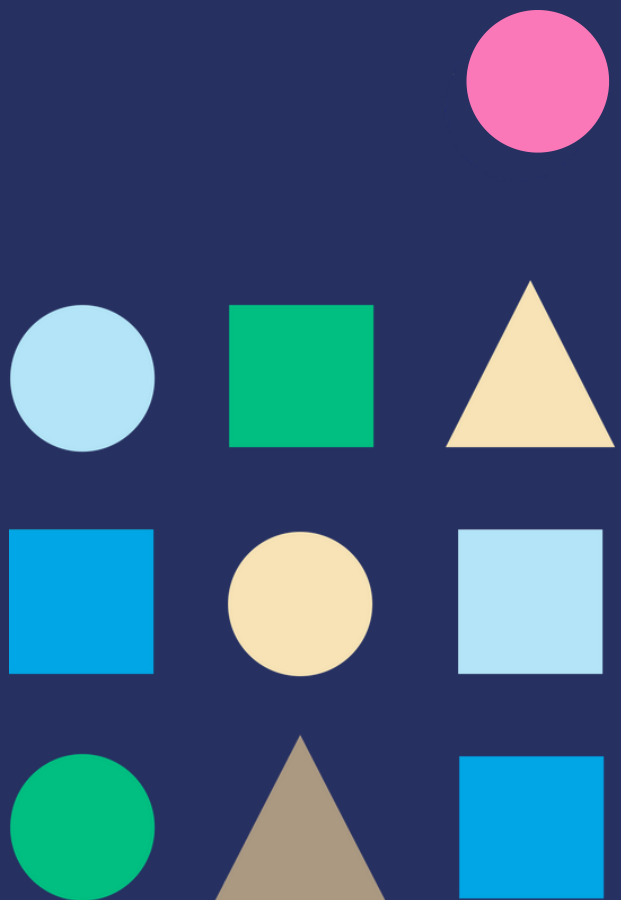


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will be abused.  
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# Know the signs and help stop child abuse.



If you see or hear any of these signs, don't hesitate. Call PA's toll-free 24-hour reporting ChildLine at 1-800-932-0313. You do not need proof of abuse to make a report!

## SIGNS OF PHYSICAL ABUSE

### Physical Indicators

- Unexplained injuries
- Unbelievable or inconsistent explanations of injuries
- Multiple bruises in various stages of healing
- Bruises located on faces, ears, necks, buttocks, backs, chests, thighs, back of legs, and genitalia
- Bruises that resemble objects such as a hand, fist, belt buckle, or rope
- Injuries that are inconsistent with a child's age or developmental level
- Burns

### Behavioral Indicators

- Excessive fear of caretakers
- Antisocial behavior
- Withdrawal from friends and social activities
- Depression or anxiety
- Changes in personality or mood
- Fear of or sudden reluctance to be alone with someone
- Changes in academic performance
- Loss of appetite or changes in eating habits
- Self-harm

## SIGNS OF SEXUAL ABUSE

### Physical Indicators

- Sleep disturbances
- Bedwetting
- Pain or irritation in genital or anal area
- Difficulty walking or sitting
- Difficulty urinating
- Pregnancy
- Positive testing for sexually transmitted disease
- Excessive or injurious masturbation

### Behavioral Indicators

- Age-inappropriate sexual behavior
- Cruelty to animals
- Fire setting
- Withdrawal from friends and social activities
- Depression or anxiety
- Changes in personality or mood
- Fear of or sudden reluctance to be alone with someone
- Changes in academic performance
- Loss of appetite or changes in eating habits
- Self-harm