

South Tyneside nurse-led Urgent Care for Children





If you are worried about your child:



in a life-threatening emergency call 999

Post code for

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

From Wednesday 4 August 2021, children's A&E services at South Tyneside District Hospital will change to:

South Tyneside Urgent Care for Children



This is a new nurse-led service open from 8am until 10pm, 7 days a week.



Please read this leaflet.

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South Tyneside nurse-led + Urgent Care for Children

This is a new nurse-led service. It can treat children from birth, up to the age of 16. It will treat children for minor injuries and illnesses which are **<u>urgent</u>** but not life threatening.

This includes, for example:

- Broken bones
- Children who have breathing problems such as asthma
- Common childhood infections in the chest, ears or throat
- Children who are being sick or have diarrhoea
- Cuts and open wounds that need closing
- Minor burns
- Minor bumps or head injuries
- Sprained ankle or a strained muscle



The service is open from 8am until 10pm every day.

If we think your child needs more specialist care, we will safely transfer them to another hospital.

10.00pm

Children's Emergency Department Sunderland Royal Hospital

This service treats children from birth, up to the age of 16 who have major, **life threatening** problems.

This includes, for example:

- Children who are drowsy or have lost consciousness
- Children having a fit or seizure
- Children who have swallowed a poison or harmful substance
- Severe breathing problems or choking
- A rash that doesn't disappear under pressure from a glass
- Fever in a baby under three months of age
- Children with a mental health crisis or self-harm
- Severe chest or tummy pain
- Severe burns or blood loss
- Testicular pain

This service is open 24/7 every day.

