



ADVICE & INFORMATION

CHILDREN WITH HEAD INJURY

Your child has sustained a head injury and following a thorough examination we are satisfied that the injury is not serious. However, your child may be more tired than normal.

Allow him/her to sleep but **check regularly** that you can wake him/her.

Give Calpol or Disprol (paediatric paracetamol) for any pain or headache.

Any child who has had a head injury **should be watched carefully**, especially in the first 48 hours after the injury.

If your child should develop any of the following:

1. **Does not wake up** when called or gently shaken.
2. **Headaches** not relieved by Calpol or Disprol (paediatric paracetamol).
3. **Repeated vomiting.**
4. **Weakness** in an arm or a leg.
5. **Irritability** (crying without obvious reason, not interested in his/her normal toys).
6. **Fits or convulsions.**

bring him/her back to the hospital as soon as possible or telephone for advice immediately.

Telephone numbers:

Helpline	Bassetlaw District General Hospital	01909 572050
Switchboard	Bassetlaw District General Hospital	01909 500990