

Checking a Responsive Child or Infant

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Interview the child or parent (or bystanders) using SAMPLE.

- **S** = Signs and symptoms
- **A** = Allergies
- **M** = Medications
- **P** = Pertinent medical history
- **L** = Last food or drink
- **E** = Events leading up to the incident



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Do a head-to-toe check.

- Look and feel for signs of injury, including pain, bleeding, cuts, burns, bruising, swelling or deformities.



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Provide care for any conditions found.

Checking a Child or Infant Who Appears to Be Unresponsive

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Shout, tap and shout **again while checking for normal breathing.**

- Gasping is not normal breathing.
- Check for no more than 5 to 10 seconds.



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If the child or infant responds but is not fully awake:

- Send someone to call 9-1-1 and obtain an AED and first aid kit.
- Do a head-to-toe check.
- Place the child or infant into the recovery position if there are no apparent injuries.

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If the child or infant does not respond and is not breathing or is only gasping:

- Send someone to call 9-1-1 and obtain an AED and first aid kit.
- Immediately begin CPR and use an AED as soon as possible.