

Scarlet Fever and Strep A (iGAS)

Contact NHS 111 or a GP if you think your child has scarlet fever. Early treatment with antibiotics will reduce the risk of health complications.

Call 999 or go to A&E if:

- your child has **difficulty breathing**: you may notice grunting noises, or their tummy sucking under their ribs
- there are **pauses** when your child breathes
- your child's skin, tongue or lips are **blue**
- your child is **floppy** and will not wake up or stay awake.

As a parent, and you feel that your child seems seriously unwell, trust your own judgement.

Signs of scarlet fever to look out for include:

- a sore throat
- headache
- fever, along with a fine, pinkish or red body rash with a 'sandpaper' feel.



More information on scarlet fever and Group A Strep is available on the government website: visit www.gov.uk and search 'Strep A'