

The normal number of bruises on a baby is.....**ZERO**

Those who don't cruise don't bruise!

A **SENTINEL INJURY** is a poorly explained minor injury in a pre-cruising infant

- indicates increased risk for serious physical abuse injury
- needs immediate further evaluation in CT Children's ED

Consider possibility of **ABUSIVE HEAD TRAUMA** in infants with:

- ALTE/BRUE
- Vomiting without diarrhea
- Seizure
- Irritability
- Bump on scalp
- Any bruising

AMBULATING CHILDREN with bruises in the following locations need further evaluation:

- Torso
- Ear
- Neck
- Face (outside of forehead)

Connecticut Children's SCAN team (Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect) evaluates children for any possible maltreatment (physical, sexual, psychological, medical, neglect).

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