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Child Injury Consultation: Quick Reference

A printable guide to records worth gathering and questions to ask after a child's dog bite injury. Bring what you have. You do not need every document before seeking advice.

CONCERN	RECORDS TO GATHER	ASK A MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL	ASK THE LAWYER
Scarring	Dated photos; wound care and follow-up notes	How is the scar healing? What should we monitor?	How can these records document scarring?
Pain or limited movement	Treatment and therapy notes; activity log	What evaluation or care is needed?	How can we show the child's limitations?
Possible future care	Referrals; treatment plans; specialist advice	What further treatment may be needed?	How will uncertain future care be assessed?
Fear or behavior changes	Parent observations; school or provider notes	Should these changes be evaluated?	What records may support emotional effects?
School or activity impact	Attendance; teacher notes; activity log	Are any restrictions recommended?	How can we document daily-life effects?
Medical costs	Bills; receipts; insurance statements	What follow-up care is recommended?	Which expenses may be included in the claim?
Settlement for a minor	Custody/guardianship papers; claim letters	What medical information is still needed?	Who can approve settlement, and what is the court's role?

Helpful reminder: Describe changes you observe without assuming a diagnosis. A medical professional evaluates health concerns; a lawyer evaluates legal claims and any required court approval for a minor's settlement.