

Signs of Child Sexual Abuse

- Insomnia
- Stress
- Depression
- Seductive Behavior
- Fear of Certain Adults
- Vaginal or anal infection
- Genital area pain
- Self-destructive behavior
- Passive or withdrawn behavior
- Inappropriate knowledge of sexual terms or behavior
- Running away
- Simulating sex acts
- References to an “adult friend”
- Sexual contact or conduct with peers
- Possessing money from an unknown source
- Sexual aggression
- Exposing Private parts
- Medical problems or physical complaints
- Emotional disturbances
- Learning problems not attributed to a disability
- Changes or extremes in behavior
- Truancy
- Incontinence
- Involuntary defecation
- Drop in academic grades
- Disrespect for authority
- Precocious sexual knowledge
- Secretiveness
- Sex play
- Urinary infections
- Low self-esteem
- Withdrawal and isolation from peers

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