

wrists or ankles from being bound; burns in the shape of an iron, radiator, or electric stove burner

- Absence of “splash” marks and presence of symmetric burns
- Stun gun injury: Lesions circular, fairly uniform (≤ 0.5 cm), and paired about 5 cm apart

Fractures and dislocations

- Skull, nose, or facial structures
- Injury denoting type of abuse, such as spiral fracture or dislocation from twisting of an extremity or whiplash from shaking the child
- Multiple new or old fractures in various stages of healing

Lacerations and abrasions

- On backs of arms, legs, torso, face, or external genitalia
- Unusual symptoms, such as abdominal swelling, pain, and vomiting from punching
- Descriptive marks, such as from human bites or pulling out of hair

Chemical

- Unexplained repeated poisoning, especially drug