

What is invasive Group A strep?

In very rare occasions the bacteria that causes scarlet fever can get into the bloodstream and cause an illness called **invasive Group A strep**

Speak to your GP or NHS 111 if:

- Your child is feeding or eating much less than normal
- Your child feels hotter than usual (for a baby under 3 months a temperature of 38°C, for older than 3 months a temperature of 39°C or higher)
- Your child is very tired or irritable

Call 999 or go to A&E if:

- Your child is having difficulty breathing
- 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