SCOPING REVIEW OF SENTINEL INJURIES

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WHAT IS THE CHILD PROTECTION CENTRE?

Located at the Department of Pediatrics and Child Health is based at Health Sciences Centre (HSC) Winnipeg Children's Hospital

They serve infants, children, and adolescents of Manitoba, the Kivalliq Region of Nunavut, and Northwestern Ontario

WHAT ARE SENTINEL INJURIES?

Reported medical histories of child and infant injuries that are possible signs of child maltreatment (Sheets et al., 2013)

Examples include bruising, fractures, intraoral injuries, and more (Sheets et al., 2013)

THE PROBLEM

Variations in guidelines exist for identifying, recognizing, and responding to sentinel injuries worldwide

Addressing these problems can inform policy and prevent future cases of child abuse

RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

Improve identification of early indicators of child maltreatment

Decrease the likelihood of more severe injuries in the future

Learn the best practices for identifying, recognizing and responding to sentinel injuries

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