## WHAT TO DO IF YOUR CHILD IS HAVING A SEIZURE

- Stay calm and reassure your child.
- Make sure your child is in a safe place.

  If not, lay them down on the floor, or move furniture or sharp objects.
- Start timing the seizure. Video the seizure if you can.
- Stay with your child during the seizure. Tell them quietly you are right beside them.
- If the seizure lasts more than 5 minutes call an ambulance.
- When the seizure has finished make sure your child is in the recovery position.

  Head tilted to keep the airway open the ground the
- Let your child rest and recover in a calm and quiet space until back to normal.
- Document seizure in seizure diary.

  If instructed, let your medical team know about the seizure

## When to dial 111 for an ambulance:

- your child's seizure lasts longer than 5 minutes
- your child has 2 or more seizures in a row
- your child has had a head injury or injured themselves during the seizure



For more detailed information see Seizure First Aid on KidsHealth by scanning the QR code or visiting www.kidshealth.org.nz/seizure-first-aid

