

Shaken Baby Demonstration Model

The *Shaken Baby Demonstration Model* can be used to show how shaking a baby or small child can cause traumatic, permanent damage, especially to the brain. Note that when the baby model is handled gently, a soft clicking sound can be heard as the brain can be seen moving inside the skull. When the baby model is shaken with more force, a louder rattling sound is heard to demonstrate the brain striking the inside of the head. This violent shaking can cause bruising, swelling, and bleeding of the brain and retina, which can result in severe brain injury and even death.

Directions

Grasp the baby model under the arms, holding the torso firmly with both hands. Shake the baby model vigorously so that the brain model mimics a brain hitting against a skull as the brain moves back and forth.

Care Instructions

1. Use a soft, slightly damp cloth to clean the *Shaken Baby Demonstration Model's* head and body.
2. If the model's clothing becomes soiled, carefully remove it from the model's body and hand wash it in mild soap and warm water. Allow the clothing to air-dry completely before putting it back on the model. Do not submerge the model in water. Do not attempt to remove the clear cap from the model's head.

This model is for educational purposes only.