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Listen to parents/carers including grandparents, they know their babies and children best. ALWAYS take their concerns seriously.

NO baby is ‘lazy’ Don’t assume the cause is prematurity or lack of opportunity to practice moving.

DON’T ‘watch and wait’ - have the baby or child reviewed immediately

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Age at onset of symptoms

6 months | 18 months | 18 years

Number of SMN2 Genes



SMA Type #	1	2	3	4
Milestones Achieved	No sitting	Sitting no walking	Independent walking	Independent walking
Clinical Presentation	Floppy baby, difficulties in breathing, swallowing and coughing, weak cry, tremors in tongue.	Delay in motor development, difficulties in coughing, falling easily.	Losing motor abilities like walking or crawling, falling easily, difficulties getting up from the floor.	variable, but milder weakness

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