

Vaziri Law Group Issues Critical Guidance for Parents After Child Injuries in California Car Accidents

A new resource outlines crucial medical, legal, and financial steps for parents protecting children's rights after car accidents.

LOS ANGELES, CA, UNITED STATES, September 30, 2025 / EINPresswire.com/ -- Vaziri Law Group, APC, a leading California personal injury law firm, has released a comprehensive new guide for parents and guardians on what to do when a child is injured in a car accident. The resource provides clear, step-by-step



direction to help families protect their child's health, legal rights, and financial future during one of the most stressful and emotional experiences a parent can face.



This guide empowers families with practical steps to protect a child's health, legal rights, and financial future after an accident."

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Rising Child Injury Concerns in California

Car accidents remain among the leading causes of injury for children in California. State traffic reports show that thousands of minors are harmed in crashes each year, with many suffering long-term consequences. While advancements in child safety seats and vehicle technology have improved outcomes, children remain uniquely vulnerable. Their developing bodies cannot absorb impact the way adults can, and injuries may present differently or

much later.

Children involved in collisions may face head injuries, spinal trauma, internal organ damage, or psychological conditions like post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). These injuries can interfere with school, development, and quality of life for years after the incident.

Immediate Medical Attention Is Critical

The guide emphasizes that seeking immediate medical care is the most important step following an accident involving a child. Even in cases where no visible injuries are apparent, internal trauma or brain injuries may be present. Physicians recommend diagnostic scans and ongoing monitoring, since delayed symptoms are common in young accident victims.



Parents are urged to maintain thorough medical records, including test results, treatment plans, prescriptions, and therapy notes. These not only ensure continuity of care but also serve as essential documentation in legal claims.

Preserving Evidence at the Scene

Parents are also encouraged to document the accident scene to the greatest extent possible. Recommended actions include:

- -Taking photographs of vehicles, road conditions, and child restraints.
- -Recording details about visible injuries immediately and over time.
- -Collecting witness contact information and police reports.
- -Keeping damaged car seats or safety restraints as physical evidence.

This evidence often becomes critical in establishing liability and ensuring fair compensation.

Insurance Complexities and Settlement Risks

Under California's fault-based insurance system, the at-fault driver's insurance company is responsible for covering damages. However, securing appropriate compensation is rarely straightforward. Families may encounter:

- -Disputes over liability or responsibility for the accident.
- -Settlement offers that undervalue the child's injuries or long-term needs.
- -Delays in payment that force families to use their own health coverage first.

The guide warns parents against accepting quick settlement offers that fail to account for future costs. Car accident injuries involving minors often require years of treatment, rehabilitation, and support services. Accepting a premature settlement can leave families without adequate resources.

Legal Protections for Minors

California law has special protections in place when minors are injured in accidents. Any settlement on behalf of a child must be approved by a judge through a process known as a Minor's Compromise. This ensures that the compensation is fair and that funds are preserved for the child's benefit.

Typically, settlement funds are deposited into a blocked account until the child turns 18. In some cases, structured settlements are arranged to provide payments over time, helping cover educational and medical needs.

The statute of limitations for child injury claims is also unique. While most personal injury claims must be filed within two years, minors have until their 20th birthday to pursue legal action. This extended period provides flexibility, but delaying action can make gathering evidence more difficult.

The Hidden and Long-Term Costs of Child Injuries

Beyond emergency treatment, child accident injuries often carry hidden costs that families may not anticipate:

- -Future Medical Care: Surgeries, therapy, and rehabilitation that extend years beyond the accident.
- -Developmental Impacts: Injuries affecting learning ability, concentration, or physical development.
- -Psychological Harm: Anxiety, depression, or PTSD affecting social and emotional well-being.
- -Loss of Normal Childhood Activities: Being unable to participate in sports, recreation, or school events.
- -Family Burden: Parents may lose income or face career interruptions to provide ongoing care.

<u>Comprehensive compensation claims</u> can account for these factors, but only when families recognize them early and seek experienced legal representation.

Action Plan for Parents

The guide provides parents with a roadmap for handling accidents involving children:

- -At the Scene: Call emergency services, move to safety, document conditions, and seek immediate medical help.
- -After Initial Care: Save all medical records, notify insurance carriers, and start a journal documenting symptoms.
- -Within Weeks: Consult a personal injury attorney who specializes in child injury cases, gather supporting evidence, and obtain copies of all reports.
- -Ongoing: Continue medical follow-up, monitor the child's school performance and emotional state, and keep detailed records of costs and impacts.

This structured approach empowers families to take control of a chaotic situation and protect their child's well-being long term.

Why This Guide Matters

Families often feel pressured into decisions when medical bills rise quickly. The guide provides reassurance that parents have both time and legal protections to secure the best outcome for their child. It also serves as an educational tool for raising awareness about children's safety and the legal rights of minors in California.

By publishing this guide, Vaziri Law Group reaffirms its commitment to protecting the most vulnerable accident victims and equipping families with the knowledge to navigate difficult times with confidence.

About Vaziri Law Group

Vaziri Law Group, APC, is a Los Angeles-based personal injury law firm serving clients across California. With a proven 98% success rate and more than \$1 billion recovered in verdicts and settlements, the firm is recognized for its dedication to accident victims and their families. The firm handles a wide range of personal injury cases, with specialized expertise in car accidents, catastrophic injuries, and child injury claims.

The firm offers free consultations and represents clients on a contingency fee basis, meaning families pay no fees unless compensation is recovered.

For more information or to access the full guide, <u>visit www.vazirilaw.com</u>.

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