



were you
ABUSED
while in an
institution?

Did the abuse or neglect
happen in Northern Ireland?

Did it happen when you were
a child and before 1996?

Talk to us: we'll listen

The Historical Institutional Abuse Inquiry wants to find out the truth. We know how difficult it is to talk about abuse. You can talk to us in private.

Call us on: **0800 068 4935**

HIA Historical Institutional Abuse Inquiry

What is the Historical Institutional Abuse Inquiry?

It's an Inquiry set up by the Northern Ireland Executive. We want to find out the truth about child abuse and neglect which happened in institutions where children lived or stayed.

Who can take part?

We want to hear from you if you suffered abuse or neglect as a child while living or staying in an institution in Northern Ireland. The institution might be an orphanage, children's home, hospital, borstal, juvenile justice centre or training school.

We are looking at abuse and neglect which happened at any time between 1922 and 1995 inclusive.

We also wanted to hear from anyone who witnessed a case of child abuse or neglect in an institution during the same period.

Why should I take part?

We'll listen to you sympathetically. Talking to us may help you come to terms with what happened. And your evidence could help prevent future abuse.

What if I'm worried about contacting you?

We can offer help and support. You'll have the option of keeping all details confidential if you prefer. We can pay if you have to travel to talk to us – or even travel to you. Please get in touch.

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