

POISON PROOF YOUR HOME

Poison Control Center (Kansas City, KS) 1-800-332-6633

All of the items listed below are either very poisonous or potentially poisonous if they end up in the hands of a young child.

| Kitchen | Bedroom / Bathroom | Basement/Garage |
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| Detergent | Aspirin | Paint Thinner |
| Soaps | Hair Preparations | Solvents |
| Medicine | Medicine | Rat Poison |
| Furniture Polish | Shampoo | Paint |
| Scouring Powder | Cosmetics | Gasoline |
| Bleach | Nail Polish | Anti-freeze |
| Drain Cleaner | Shaving Cream | Oil |
| Hand Lotion | Sleeping Pills | Paint Remover |
| Oven Cleaner | Vitamins | Varnish |
| Deodorizers | Laxatives | Kerosene |
| Insecticides | Perfume | Charcoal Lighter |

This list is far from complete. The average household is full of poisons. Take time to look around your home as if through a child's eyes. Lock up or relocate items that may be a hazard. A child's life may be saved.

- Never tell your child that medicines are candy or take medicine in front of your child.
- Never take or give medicine in the dark.
- Always keep medicine or poisonous substances in their original containers.
- Dispose of unused or outdated medicine by pouring down the drain or flushing.
- Keep all medicines and household products <u>OUT OF SIGHT AND OUT OF REACH of</u> children, preferably in a locked cabinet.
- Many varieties of plants, indoor and outdoor, are poisonous. Always be aware of what children are putting into their mouths.

If you suspect that your child has inhaled or ingested a poisonous substance, call a Poison Control Center immediately. Poison Control Center numbers are listed in the front of your telephone book under Emergency Numbers. It's a good idea to have <u>Syrup of Ipecac</u> (available at your local pharmacy) on hand to induce vomiting. Induce vomiting only <u>if the Poison Control Center or</u> <u>Physician directs you to.</u>