

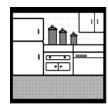
# Where Are The Poisons In Your Home?

Many things found in and around your home could hurt someone if they are not used and stored the right way. Use this list to see how poison safe *your* home is.



# Bathroom, kitchen, and laundry room:

Poisonings often happen while things are being used, not while they're being stored. If you need to answer the phone or door, *never leave a child alone with something that could hurt them*. Take the product or the child with you. Keep medicines, after-shave lotion, etc. *off* counter tops where children might be able to reach them.





### **Garage or basement:**

Keep chemicals, car products and paints in locked cabinets. Use child-resistant lids and keep labels on containers. Don't put anything that could be harmful in drink or food containers. It may look like something that's good to eat or drink.





#### **Bedroom:**

Don't leave things like perfume, make-up, nail polish, eye drops and medicine on dresser tops or bedside tables where children can reach them.



#### Purses, bags and suitcases:

Keep purses and bags where children can't get them. If you carry medicine, use child resistant containers (*child resistant does not mean childproof*).

#### Cabinets and shelves:

Store anything that could be harmful in locked cabinets. If you don't have a cabinet with a lock, you can buy child safety locks at many stores. These locks don't cost much and they are easy to fit.

## Plants in your home and in your yard:

Plants are a poisoning *and* choking risk for children. Put name labels on all indoor and out-door plants so you know what type of plant was eaten if you need to call the poison center.

Remind grandparents, babysitters and *anyone* your child spends time with to lock away things that could be poisons and to have the number of the Poison Center near phones.



1-800-222-1222

www.clarian.org/poisoncontrol

# How well do you score on the <u>Home Poison Safety Check List</u>?

	Yes / No
Do you have the Poison Center number, <b>1-800-222-1222</b> near your phones?	
Are all dangerous products locked in cabinets away from children/pets?	
Do you wear goggles and gloves when working with things that could hurt you?	
Do lock away things like make-up, aftershave, perfume and nail polish?	
Do you keep medicines/household products in the containers they came in?	
Do you keep medicines in child-resistant containers? (these are not child-proof)	
Do you keep medicines, household products and food away from each other?	
Do you keep medicines/cosmetics off countertops, windowsills, and tables?	
Are you careful not to take medicine in front of children?	
Do you always check labels before giving or taking medicine?	
Do you always watch young children while they take medicine?	
Do you always read labels before using products and follow directions exactly?	
Do you safely get rid of used and old cleaning products and medicines?	
Do you keep purses and other bags out of the reach of children?	
As soon as you finish using any product, do you return it to a safe place?	
Do you clean up soon after parties where alcohol is served?	
Do you take care not to mix cleaning products?	
Do you have name labels on all indoor and outdoor plants at your home?	
Have you given the Poison Center number to grandparents, babysitters, etc?	

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