

SUMMER

SAFETY WITH THE
UPSTATE NEW YORK POISON CENTER



Keep your family safe from common warm-weather hazards:

Pool chemicals — Store in original containers, tightly closed and out of reach.

Pesticides — Never spray near food, pets or children. Use as directed.

Fertilizers — Keep off hands and feet. Store away from curious kids.

Bug sprays — Avoid eyes, mouth and open wounds. Apply in well-ventilated areas.

Sunscreen — Supervise young children's use. Store with caps tightly sealed.

Alcoholic beverages — Don't leave unattended or near children.

Lighter fluid, tiki torch fluid or kerosene — Flammable! Very dangerous if ingested. Keep locked away and far from flames.

Propane and gasoline — Use outdoors only. Store tanks upright, in a well-ventilated area, and away from children.

Fireworks — Leave to professionals. Store sparklers and novelty items safely.

Plants, berries and mushrooms — Teach kids not to touch or taste unknown plants.



Check out our summer safety video:

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What is a Poison?

A poison is anything that can harm your body if you touch, taste, breathe or swallow it. Poisons harm your body if they are used in the wrong way, in the wrong amount, or by the wrong person.

Year-Round Safety Tips:

- **Store** all medicine, vitamins, cleaning supplies and personal care products up and away, out of sight and reach of children.
- **Keep** all products in original containers to avoid confusion, as some may have the same shape, size, color or smell as food or drink items.
- **Always read** labels and follow directions before use.
- **Do not** call medicine "candy."
- **Limit** the amount of medicine in your home and dispose of expired or unused medicine properly.
- **Install** carbon monoxide detectors, and service appliances regularly to prevent the buildup of this colorless, odorless, tasteless and deadly gas. Use generators, grills and engines outdoors and away from windows.
- **Teach** kids not to touch or eat plants, berries or mushrooms.
- **Store** cannabis, alcohol, tobacco & nicotine products out of reach. Consider using a lock box.

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