

March 15th – 21st, 2020 is
NATIONAL POISON PREVENTION WEEK
Keep your family safe!

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FROM MEDICINE

- Dose matters! Always read label directions before giving or taking any medication.
- Kitchen spoons are not meant to measure medicine. Only use a medicine cup, spoon or syringe marked with proper dosing measures.
- Children will imitate! Avoid taking medication while they are watching.
- Children act fast! Put medicine away immediately after each use, preferably in a locked medicine box.
- Purses and suitcases are treasure chests to young children. Identify safe storage space for visitors bringing medicine into your home or provide them a locked med box to store their medications.
- Children who visit Emergency Departments often get into their grandparents' medications.
- Be sure medication is safely stored when grandchildren come to visit.
- With 25% of children under 5 in daycare in the US, be sure your caregiver has the Poison Center programmed into their cell phones at 1-800-222-1222.

