

6 MONTH - 1 YEAR SCREEN—Physician Talking Points

CAR SAFETY

Q1. An infant carrier or car seat should be used to secure your baby EVERY time they ride in a moving vehicle.

Resource - <https://www.healthychildren.org/English/safety-prevention/on-the-go/Pages/Car-Safety-Seats-Information-for-Families.aspx>

Q2. All children less than 2 years of age should be rear facing in the back seat of the car.

Resource - <https://www.healthychildren.org/English/safety-prevention/on-the-go/Pages/Car-Safety-Seats-Information-for-Families.aspx>

Q3. 3 out of 4 car seats are not used correctly. You should have your car seat installation checked by a car seat technician/specialist.

Resource - <http://www.safercar.gov/cpsApp/cps/index.htm>

Q4. Temperatures rise very quickly in a car. You should never leave your child alone in the car, even for what you might think is just a quick errand.

Resource - <https://www.healthychildren.org/English/safety-prevention/at-home/Pages/Protecting-Children-from-Extreme-Heat-Information-for-Parents.aspx>

FALL PREVENTION

Q5. Use wall mounted gates at the top of stairs and pressure mounted or wall mounted gates at the bottom of the stairs. Gates should be used on all flights of stairs in the home.

Q6. Use window guards on all upstairs windows to prevent falls.

Resource: <http://www.safekids.org/tp/falls-prevention-tips>

WATER SAFETY

Q7. Having a 4-sided fence around your pool, hot tub, or any body of water is the only proven way to reduce drownings.

Resource: <https://www.healthychildren.org/English/health-issues/injuries-emergencies/Pages/Drowning.aspx>

CHOKING

Q8. Your child is too young to play with small objects such as coins, beads, batteries or nuts. If it fits inside a toilet paper roll, it's too small.

Resource: <https://www.healthychildren.org/English/health-issues/injuries-emergencies/Pages/Choking-Prevention.aspx>

Q9. Cut foods up into small pieces. If food is too large, too hard to chew or doesn't dissolve, it is not appropriate for your child to eat.

Resource: <https://www.healthychildren.org/English/health-issues/injuries-emergencies/Pages/Choking-Prevention.aspx>

Q10. The Heimlich Maneuver and CPR save lives, look into taking a basic life saving course in your area.

Resource: http://www.redcross.org/lp/cpr-first-aid-aed-certification-hero?utm=a&device=d&code=PSG0000E017&gclid=CjwKEAjwsYW6BRCTzv5y8DPhi0SjABnGLIHqSlr-5Uo-u__d-NhnOihYHEdtI | Igl-e8HhEzXG9xoCQcvw_wcB&gclsrc=aw.ds&dclid=CNma4cSb78wCFYUKgQodP1oGAA

PLAY SAFETY

Q11. Children should not be allowed in the yard while a lawn mower or trimmer is in use – rocks can hit them at high speeds. Also, they should never ride on a mower, even if they are with an adult.

Resource: <https://www.healthychildren.org/English/safety-prevention/at-home/Pages/Lawnmower-Safety.aspx>

HOME SAFETY

Q12. Large pieces of furniture such as flat screen TVs, book shelves and dressers should be mounted to the wall since they can tip easily.

Resource: <https://www.healthychildren.org/English/safety-prevention/at-home/Pages/Preventing-Furniture-and-TV-Tip-Overs.aspx>

Q13. If you have guns in your home, make sure to keep them locked away and stored in a separate location from the ammunition. Gun safes are important to act as a barrier so your child can't reach the gun.

Resource: <https://www.healthychildren.org/English/safety-prevention/at-home/Pages/Handguns-in-the-Home.aspx>

UNINTENTIONAL INGESTIONS

Q14. Always keep medications locked up and out of your child's reach. Some medications can harm a child in very small amounts.

Resources: <http://www.aapcc.org>

<https://www.healthychildren.org/English/news/Pages/Tips-for-Poison-Prevention-and-Treatment.aspx>

Q15. Always keep household chemical locked up and out of your child's reach. Some products can harm a child in very small amounts.

Resources: <http://www.aapcc.org>

<https://www.healthychildren.org/English/news/Pages/Tips-for-Poison-Prevention-and-Treatment.aspx>

Q16. Have the phone number for the local poison control by your home phone, or programmed into your cell phone in case of emergencies.

Resource: <http://www.aapcc.org>

