**POISON PREVENTION**

**Why We CARE**

114,000

Phone calls to Georgia Poison Control (in 2021)

57

Deaths due to poisoning in children under 6

1 IN 3

Children under 6 unintentionally exposed to poison, and 61,000 ED visits

**DID YOU KNOW?**

Accidental pediatric poisonings occur most frequently in kids 2 to 3 years old.

**How to PLAY IT SAFE**

**Tell Parents When to Seek Help**

800-222-1222

Program this national Poison Center number into your phone (reachable from anywhere in the U.S.).

Visit georgiapoisoncenter.org for free online chat and translators, too!

Call 911 immediately if the child is losing consciousness, having difficulty breathing, or having significant skin color changes.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

Child-resistant containers are not 100% childproof. But they delay access to a bottle’s contents.

Talk with parents and caregivers about reducing exposure to poison. Ask them to check throughout their homes for items like these:

- **In the medicine cabinet:** Medicines, vitamins, creams
- **Under the sink:** Cleaning products, insecticides
- **In containers, drawers, and purses:** Alcohol, tobacco, e-cigarettes, marijuana-derived products
- **Other:** Hobby/craft supplies, plants, hand sanitizer

Tell them not to disguise dangerous substances. Store them in their original containers up, away, and out of reach of young children.

Recommend a lockbox if they have older children/teens and concerns about potential misuse.

Give them the Toolkit sheet for Parents and Caregivers—and point out the sections on How to Play It Safe and When to Seek Help.

**PLAY IT SAFE**

with burn safety, safe sleep, firearms, teen driving, and more in the new Georgia AAP Toolkit—coming soon.