

*Children act fast,
so do poisons...*

So when a poisoning occurs...

1. Act right away, save the container and call the poison center at **1-800-222-1222** at once.
2. Specially trained nurses will answer your call 24 hours a day.
3. First aid advice will be given, as well as referrals to your doctor if needed.

For more copies of this checklist,
go online at: www.uwhealth.org/poison
or write to:
University of WI Hospital and Clinics
Poison Prevention and Education Center
600 Highland Avenue, Room F6/133
Madison, WI 53792-9475

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Poison Prevention & Education Center,
University of Wisconsin Hospital & Clinics



Poison Prevention
Do you know the score?

Home Checklist

Give yourself one point for each preventive step you do now.

Kitchen



- No household products under the sink
- No medicines on the countertops
- All cleaners out of reach
- No medicines on the window sill

Bathroom



- Medicine chest cleaned monthly
- Old medicines thrown out safely
- All medicines in containers with safety caps
- Always read the label
- Always turn on a light when taking medicine at night
- Never call medicine "candy" for children

Bedroom



- No medicines left within reach on dresser, chest, or bedside table
- All perfumes and cosmetics are out of reach
- No flaking paint chips on crib, playpen or window sills

Laundry



- Soaps and detergents up high
- All cleaners in locked cabinets
- Furniture and metal polish out of reach
- Drain cleaners are in safety closure containers and locked up

Garage



- Bug spray and weed killers up high
- No gasoline left in a pop bottle or cup
- Turpentine and paint thinner are in original containers and up high

Total Score



- 19-20 Excellent
- 16-18 Good, but keep trying
- 10-15 Room for improvement
- 6-9 Danger area with need for improved safety measures
- 0-5 Asking for trouble with small children in the home

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