Stay safe at home

- Every day, six children die from an injury in the home, and 10,000 go to the emergency room for injuries that commonly happen in homes.
- Every parent wants their children to grow up healthy and strong in the place they deserve to feel safest: at home.

The good news is that there are simple, easy steps that families can take to protect children at home.

At different ages there are different strategies for keeping kids safe.

Check out these tips:
- Babies should sleep alone on their backs in a safe crib.
- Install gates around stairs for toddlers.
- Monitor for safe cooking practices in the kitchen for older children.

A few simple steps are all it takes to ensure that the home environment is a safe one for all children. Installing pool gates and alarms, instructing children to wear bike helmets, and using window guards all help to prevent injuries and deaths to children.
Top Tips for a Safe Home

- Give young children your full and undivided attention when they are in the bathtub or around water.
- Check smoke alarm batteries every six months to make sure they are working.
- Keep cribs clear of objects, and make sure babies sleep alone, on their backs, and in a crib every time they sleep.
- Install safety gates to keep children from falling down staircases and window guards or stops to prevent falls from windows.
- Keep all medicine up and away, even medicine you take every day. Be alert to medicine stored in other locations, like pills in purses, vitamins on counters, and medicine on nightstands.

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