

Fall Poison Safety



Glow Sticks and Glow Jewelry

- Glow sticks and glow jewelry are very popular on Halloween, but children can bite or break them, releasing the chemicals inside.
- Supervise young children while using glow sticks and make sure to dispose of them someplace kids can't find them.



Carbon Monoxide

- Carbon monoxide, or CO, is a poisonous gas that you cannot see, taste or smell. Signs and symptoms of CO poisoning may include: headaches, sore muscles, confusion, irritability, sleepiness, nausea, vomiting, irregular heartbeat, impaired vision/coordination, fatigue, shortness of breath and even death.
- The most common causes of carbon monoxide in the home are malfunctioning furnaces, fireplaces or wood stoves. But it can also be caused by gas water heaters or dryers or portable generators.
- To prevent carbon monoxide poisoning, install a carbon monoxide detector on every floor of your house, especially near sleeping rooms



Home Canning

- Autumn is the season for home canning but botulism can be a serious issue.
- Undercooking is the most frequent cause of dangers in home canning.
- Follow cooking instructions; cook at proper heat level and length of time.
- If you notice any swelling containers, bulging lids, unusual odor or odd color do not eat the contents



Outdoor Fall Safety

- Berries can be attractive to small children. Make sure you know the names of the plants growing in your yard, and teach children to never pick or eat berries they find
- Fall brings mushrooms to many yards, but remember that only an expert can determine which mushrooms are safe