## Medication Safety Basics For Parents



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It is really never too early to teach your child about medication safety. Brightly colored medication can look like candy to young children. And, older children can face peer pressure related to a growing issue of prescription drug abuse and misuse by peers...

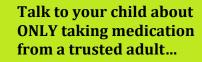
But, as a parent, **you have the power** to help reduce the risk your child will misuse or abuse medication and prescription drugs - either accidentally...or intentionally. Here's how:

- Keep medications locked and out of reach
- Properly dispose of unused or expired medication
- Monitor your medications count them regularly
- Talk with your children, at all ages, about being safe Take the time...they will listen

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Talk to your child about NEVER sharing medication or taking someone else's...

Talk to your child about how to safely use, store, and dispose of medication...

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