

Child Drownings are *Preventable!*



Did you know?

- Drowning is the leading cause of unintentional injury-related death for children ages one to four.
- A child can drown in less than two inches of water.
- While most drownings happen in pools, every year children also drown in bathtubs, buckets, coolers, ponds, ditches, hot tubs and toilets.
- Most child drowning deaths happen when an adult becomes distracted by the phone, computer, doorbell or other activities.

Safety Tips for Parents and Caregivers

Constant adult supervision is the best way to protect your child from drowning.

- Keep your attention focused on your children whenever they are in or around water.
- Never disable a pool alarm or prop open the gate to a pool.
- Always lock doors that lead to water.
- Always empty buckets after use and store them upside down.
- Never allow an older child to supervise a younger child in or around water.

For more safety tips, visit www.ounce.org.

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