

# KNOW WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF POISONING

Don't wait for symptoms  
to appear -- act fast!

## WARNING SIGNS OF POISONING:

- an open container nearby
- pills, berries, etc., in the mouth
- strange odor on breath
- burns around the mouth
- sweating
- upset stomach or nausea
- dizziness or unconsciousness
- convulsions.



## ACT QUICKLY

- Try to identify the poison, if you can do so quickly. Look for a container.
- If the victim is responsive (alert, breathing on own, etc.), call Poison Help™ at 1-800-222-1222. (Keep this number by your phone.) If you have trouble getting through, call 9-1-1 or your local emergency number.
- If the victim is unconscious or showing signs of severe poisoning (seizures, trouble breathing, etc.), call 9-1-1 or your local emergency number immediately.
- Do not make the victim vomit unless you are advised to do so by a medical professional.



## WHEN YOU PHONE FOR HELP:

- **BRING THE EMPTY CONTAINER WITH YOU TO THE PHONE**

If possible, bring the child, too. Don't leave the child near the poison.

- **STAY CALM**

Be ready to answer questions about the poison (name, amount taken, etc.), and the child's age and weight.

- **FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS EXACTLY**

Ask questions if you don't understand something.

- **DON'T TRY TO MAKE THE PERSON VOMIT**

Do not stick your finger down the person's throat or give anything by mouth, unless you are advised to do so by a medical professional.

### IF YOU SUSPECT

that your pet has been poisoned, call your veterinarian immediately

EMERGENCY  
PHONE NUMBERS

POLICE - 555-2222

FIRE - 555-3333

HOSPITAL - 555-4444

Poison Help™ -  
1-800-222-1222



**POST THE POISON HELP™  
NUMBER (1-800-222-1222) BY  
EVERY PHONE IN YOUR HOME.**