

sentryGPSid™ Safety Tips for Parents Talk To Your Children Today!



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- Be proactive by assuming that your child could be a victim.
 - Talk to your child about how they can keep themselves safe. This is the only way they will know what to do when confronted by an unwanted situation.
 - Teach you child how to dial “911” on the telephone and call for help.
 - Teach your child their full name, address and telephone number as early as possible.
 - Let you child know that the people that could help them if they were lost or separated from you are policemen, mothers with children, cashiers, the mailman or store clerks. Teach your child how to recognize each of these at places you frequently take your children.
 - When you go to public places, especially amusement parks, wear the same colors as your children. This will make it much simpler to inform police or security guards of your children’s attire in the event of an emergency. Pay particular attention to your child’s shoes in these situations. Many times a kidnapper can change their shirt or pants, but their shoes are harder to switch.
 - If you have a cell phone with a camera, take a picture of your children before every trip into a public place. This gives you the most current picture possible, and helps to remind you of what your children are wearing that day.
 - Do NOT put your child’s name on the outside of their clothing or school supplies or backpacks, this is an easy way for a stranger to know your child’s name and approach them like a friend of the family.
 - Teach you child that adults do not ask children for directions or help finding an animal. They should say “NO” and run and tell an adult they trust.
 - Teach your child that a stranger is anyone they do not know.

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- Teach your child that their body belongs to them and that no one should touch them where their bathing suite covers and that it is OK for parents to touch only when they are bathing them or applying medicine.
 - Teach your child that it's OK to say "NO" to an adult they do not know.
 - Establish a family "code word" and teach them they should never go with anyone that doesn't know the family "code word".
 - Maintain a strict procedure for who picks up your child from day care or school. Be consistent.
 - Teach your child that if an adult or older child makes them feel uncomfortable they should say "NO" or yell "HELP" not just scream and try to get away.
 - Listen to your children. Encourage them not to keep secrets from you.
 - Promote your child's self-esteem and let them know that you love them for who they are, and they can talk to you about anything.
 - Keep all your doors and windows locked and have your home well lighted.
 - Teach your child to enjoy wearing the sentryGPSid™ child GPS location device.
 - Keep your child's sentryGPSid™ GPS device charged and make certain to put it in their pocket or on their belt when they leave the house.
 - Keep your SentryKIDS® Bio-Doc™ in a convenient location in your home. Do not put your child's Bio-Doc™ in a safety deposit box where you do not have 24-hr. access. Store it in a fireproof safe if you have one. If you do not have a fireproof safe, put your child's Bio-Doc™ in a zip lock bag and store it in the freezer. Your freezer will protect your valuable documents since it is heavily insulated.