Partners Promoting Window and Balcony Safety



Window and Balcony Toronto Daycare Presentation

Objective:

- Promote Window and Balcony Safety to Preschool and School age children.
- Target communities considered to be at high risk for injuries related to falls from balconies and windows.

Educational Tools:

- Paramedics
- Balcony and Window Pictures and Diagrams
- Puppet and Theatre
- Guitar
- Cardboard Ambulance
- Information packages

Procedure:

- Prescheduled Visits are confirmed 1 week prior to presentation date
- Prepare information packages containing; coloring pages, EMS brochure, PPWBS brochure, Child car safety in hot weather brochure, Tattoo and Junior paramedic sticker
- Visit daycares at scheduled times delivering interactive presentation
- Relevant information entered onto spread sheet each day after visit is complete

Presentation Format:

- Greet ECE staff and introduction of paramedics to the children
- Introduction of Paramedic profession utilizing the cardboard ambulance as a visualization tool
- Explanation of paramedic duties as well as the purpose of 911
- Interacting with the children in having them repeat the emergency number "911"
- Introduction of "Sunny" the puppet as our Junior Paramedic. Incorporating ways in which children can become Junior paramedics by knowing how to be safe
- Review general safety tips such as bike helmets, seatbelts, life jackets and crossing the streets as a lead into new safety tips regarding balconies and open windows
- Discussion on dangers of open windows utilizing the "stay away" message as well as showing the children diagrams in order to help them understand

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- Discuss the dangers of going out onto the balcony as well as the dangers of playing on the balcony using pictures and diagrams along with the "do not go onto the balcony" safety message
- Have children repeat both the "stay away from open windows" and "do not go onto the balcony" safety messages as a method of reinforcement
- Complete presentation with a few nursery rhymes and songs concluding with our own safety song sung to "London Bridge"
 - On the Balcony
 Don't Go Out
 Don't Go Out
 Don't Go Out
 Don't Go Out
 (repeat)
 Play it safe
 Open Window
 Stay Away
 Stay Away
 Stay Away
 Stay Away
 (repeat)
 - Play it Safe
- Have the children repeat what they learned today by repeating the safety messages
- Say good bye from Sunny and have them say good bye to Sunny
- Tell them they were good and thank them for having us visit today.
- Leave the appropriate number of packages for each child with the daycare supervisor