MARIJUANA SAFETY IN THE HOME

Preventing unintentional ingestion of marijuana by children is a high priority for Arizona. Marijuana products can be mistaken for regular food or candy, and often have brightly colored packages that grab the attention of children. No matter their age, here are some steps to keep children safe around marijuana:

Keep marijuana stored up and away, out of sight and reach in a locked location. Clearly label all products and keep them in their original packaging. Remember that child-resistant packaging does not mean it is childproof.

Put marijuana away every time. Never leave it out on a kitchen counter or at a bedside, even if you anticipate using it again in a few hours.

Talk to your children about marijuana, especially edibles. Teach children that they should never eat anything without asking permission first. Set an example by never using edibles or other marijuana products in front of your children.

Tell guests about marijuana safety. Ask house guests and visitors to keep purses, bags, or coats that have marijuana products in them up and away and out of sight and reach when they are in your home.

Be prepared in case of an emergency. Call the Poison Help Line at 1-800-222-1222 right away if you think your child might have consumed marijuana products.

