

MCLB ALBANY SAFETYGRAM

National Window Safety Week April 7-13, 2013

Observed annually during the first full week in April, **National Window Safety Week** is designed to heighten the awareness of what can be done to help keep families safe from the risk of accidental falls or injuries in the home. Preventing falls out of windows is as important as learning how to use one in an emergency.



Keeping
The
Promise

Of Safety.

Everyday you whisper a promise to your child
"I'll always love you and keep you safe."

But keeping your home and children safe takes more than promises. It can only be done with safety **awareness**, planning and preventive action.

Window Safety

Windows play a vital role in home safety, serving as a secondary escape route in the event of a fire or other emergency, but they can also pose a risk for a fall if safety measures are not followed.

Follow these guidelines to prevent window-related injuries in the home:

- Keep windows closed and locked when children are around
- Open windows that children cannot reach for ventilation
- Don't rely on insect screens to prevent a fall, as they are designed to provide ventilation and not to prevent a child's fall from a window
- Keep furniture, or anything children can climb, away from windows
- Incorporate windows in your family's emergency escape plan and practice it regularly
- Make sure nothing is blocking or preventing a window from being opened in the case of an emergency



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