

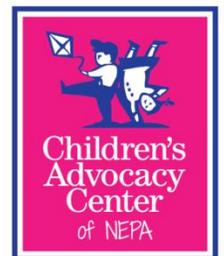
Teach Your Children:

- ✿ **NO ONE** has the right to touch the private parts of their bodies or make them feel uncomfortable. Your child has the right to say NO.
- ✿ Adults do not come to children for help. Adults ask other adults for help.
- ✿ Never go near a car with someone in it, and never get into a car without your permission.
- ✿ Tell you immediately if any adults ask them to keep a “secret”.
- ✿ Tell you if anyone gives them gifts or money.
- ✿ When away from home, if they are scared or uncomfortable, they have a right to use the telephone without anyone’s permission.
- ✿ Not to go into someone’s house without your knowledge.
- ✿ Never admit to anyone over the phone that they are home alone.
- ✿ Teach your child a secret code word that only you and your child know, to be used in an emergency.
- ✿ You will always believe them about being abused.

Protect Your Children

- ✿ **BE AWARE** of who your child spends time with, who your child’s best friend is, and why.
- ✿ **AVOID** any overnight trips alone with an adult.
- ✿ **DO NOT** put your child’s first name on clothing or school books. This puts your child on a first name basis with anyone.
- ✿ **LISTEN** when your child tells you that he or she does not want to be with or go with someone else.
- ✿ **TEACH** your children that they have a right to say NO. Never make your child submit to physical contact if they don’t want to.
- ✿ **UNDERSTAND** that no one should want to be with your child more than you. When someone else is showing your child too much attention, ask yourself why.
- ✿ **QUESTION** any money or gifts your child brings home.
- ✿ **ENCOURAGE** open communication with your child.
- ✿ **KNOW** signs that a child may have been assaulted.
- ✿ **ASK** your school to notify you when your child does not show up for class.

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