

Carbon Monoxide

If you suspect CO poisoning, call the Connecticut Poison Control Center at 1.800.222.1222 immediately for instructions.



What is Carbon Monoxide?

- Carbon Monoxide is a colorless, odorless, and tasteless gas
- CO stands for carbon monoxide

What are the symptoms? (Symptoms can mimic the flu)

- Headache
- Nausea
- Weakness
- Fatigue
- Confusion
- Dizziness

What are the facts?

- Children are more vulnerable to CO poisoning than adults
- Every year nearly 4,000 children are treated in emergency rooms for CO exposure and 9 die

Prevention:

- Install a CO detector in your home
- Have your heating system checked yearly
- Never operate a gas-powered engine in a space without ventilation
- Never use charcoal grills inside the home, or in an attached garage
- Make sure the generator is at least 20 feet from your home

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