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Start Early, Speak Simply, Keep Kids Safe

Healthy conversations in childhood can help build the foundation for safer choices later.



Talking with children about safety does not have to be scary or overwhelming. Age-appropriate guidance, strong connections, and healthy habits can help protect kids long before peer pressure begins.



Why this matters

Today, some youth are exposed to dangerous substances without realizing it. Counterfeit pills and other substances may contain fentanyl. Many children and teens simply do not understand the risk.



What young children can learn



Only take medicine from a parent, caregiver, doctor, or nurse.



Never eat, drink, or swallow something someone else gives you without asking a safe adult.



Pills are not candy.



If something feels confusing or unsafe, tell a trusted adult right away.



Healthy ways to support kids



Build trust through calm, ongoing conversations.



Teach kids how to ask questions and say no.



Strengthen decision-making and emotional skills.



Encourage healthy friendships, routines, and activities.



Talk about online safety and how social media can mislead.



Important reminder for parents

This topic should not be taboo. Children do not need frightening details, but they do need simple truths. No child is too young to learn that they should never take medicine or unknown substances unless a safe adult gives it to them.

Small conversations today
can protect lives tomorrow.

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