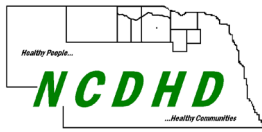


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Please publish the following Public Service Announcement within your newspaper. It may be changed to fit your needs, but preferably contained within a boxed format.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ann Fritz at (402) 336-2406.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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## **Important information for all parents!**

# **If you have Syrup of Ipecac in your home... THROW IT AWAY!**

The **Poison Center** at *Children's Hospital* no longer recommends the use of syrup of ipecac as a treatment given to children who have been poisoned. There are many adverse effects and other problems related to ipecac syrup that must be considered when using this drug.

If you have syrup of ipecac in your home, throw it away. Pour the liquid in the toilet, flush, and throw the bottle in the trash.

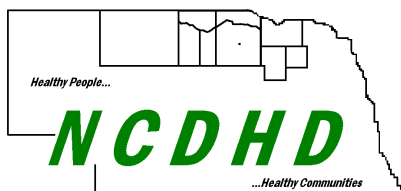
The **Poison Center** at *Children's Hospital* recommends that syrup of ipecac never be used except upon consultation with a poison center or a medical toxicologist.

If you have questions about syrup of ipecac, call your physician.

If you think your child has been poisoned, call the  
**Nebraska Regional Poison Center:**

**1-800-222-1222** (toll free)

or visit the Center's website at: [www.poison-center.com](http://www.poison-center.com)



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