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## **EYE SAFETY TIPS FOR YOUR HOME**

Accidents resulting in eye injuries can happen to anyone. Over half (55%) of the victims of eye injuries are under 25. Many of these injuries, over 100,000 annually, occur during sports or recreational activities. Most important of all, 90% of all eye injuries could have been prevented.

Most people don't realize how many common objects in the home can cause serious eye injuries to children. Watching children is the best precaution. There are other steps that you can take to ensure their safety and well being, such as teaching them eye safety and using eye protection for risky tasks. Actions often speak louder than words. Adults who wear eye protection are teaching their kids a valuable lesson. In addition, the following home safety tips can help to keep you and your children safe.

### **BATHROOM AND KITCHEN**

- Teach children not to run around with forks, knives, combs or toothbrushes.
- Keep detergents, cleaning supplies, nail polish remover, mouthwash and makeup in locked cabinets or out of reach.
- Set a good example by wearing eye protection when using ammonia-based products.

### **BEDROOM**

- Keep clothes hangers in the closet.
- Don't allow children to play with small, pointy or sharp objects in bed.
- Don't allow young children to use combs, brushes, or hairspray unless you help them.

### **PLAY AREA**

- Teach children to put toys away.
- Keep toys for older kids away from younger kids.
- Don't give toys with small parts to young children. They tend to put things in their mouths, increasing the risk of choking.
- Repair or throw away broken toys. Take recalled toys back to the store where you purchased them.



*For more information call the Prevent Blindness America Hotline at 1-800-331-2020*

