

HOME SAFETY CHECKLIST

- Install smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors in every room of the house
 - Make sure they have fresh batteries by testing alarms/detectors monthly.
 - Vacuum alarms/detectors monthly
 - Make an emergency plan with your family and practice it monthly
- Place fire extinguishers on every floor of the house
- Install/check alarm system on the house. If there is no alarm system, make sure you have a sturdy deadbolt
- Don't overload outlets
- Make sure all proper wattage bulbs are used in all lighting fixtures/lamps
- Check outside vents and make sure chimney is swept out
- Check out the water heater at least once a year
- Make sure your street number is visible on the mailbox, keep your name off the mailbox
- Give a spare key to a friend, family member and/or a neighbor you trust
- Make sure emergency numbers and contacts are visible by every phone or on a corkboard in the kitchen
- Make sure windows open easily from the inside only
- Make sure TV's, stereos and computers are on a sturdy stand
- Make sure all appliances, lamps, anything with a plug is in good condition with no frayed or exposed wires
- If using electrical cords, or extension cords, make sure they are out of the way of heavy traffic and are not carrying more than their proper load.
- Make sure medications are stored properly and out of the way of small children

