DROWNING IS SILENT

Did you Know?

DROWNING IS THE LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH FOR TODDLERS 1-4 YEARS OLD

68%
In general, boys are two times more likely to drown in a pool than girls.

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Children under age 5 are at a higher risk of drowning in a pool.

2/3
2/3 of fatal drownings occur between May and August for most age groups.

There are NO WARNING SOUNDS or splashing sounds associated with a drowning accident.

What can you do?

Swimming Pools
Swimming pools in backyards account for over half of the 54 drowning deaths of children 0-5 years old each year.

Install Alarms
Install alarms on house doors and windows leading to a pool area.

Layers of Protection
Layers of protection include adult supervision, fences, gates, latches, safety pool covers, alarms, education, throwing aids, and rescue techniques.

Eye
Adults should keep a constant eye on children in or near any water including bathtubs, buckets, toilets, ponds, spas and pools.

Never Leave a Child Alone Near Water
Never leave a child alone near water. Check the pool first if a child is missing.

Touch
Designate an adult to be close enough to reach out and touch the child.