

Securing our Most Precious Cargo

Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death among children ages 2 to 14, due in large part to the nonuse or improper use of child seats and seat belts. Working with parents and our partners our goal is to ensure every child is properly secured and safe every trip, every time.

Parents - *Not Sure Which Car Seat to Use?*

Are you looking for a new car seat for your infant, toddler or 4-8 year old child but overwhelmed by the choices and worried about how to properly install your car seat? Our 4 Steps for Kids campaign will help you properly choose and install the correct car seat for your child. Simply click on the link below that best matches your child.

CPS Advocates - *Seeking Resources for your Local Efforts?*

Coming Soon! **2009 National Child Passenger Safety Week Planner** designed to help you promote, enhance, and enforce child passenger safety.

4 Easy Steps to Protect America's Children



REAR-FACING SEATS in the back seat from birth to at least 1 year old and at least 20 pounds.



FORWARD-FACING TODDLER SEATS in the back seat from age 1 and 20 pounds to about age 4 and 40 pounds.



BOOSTER SEATS in the back seat from about age 4 to at least age 8, unless 4'9" tall.



SAFETY BELTS at age 8 and older or taller than 4'9". All children age 12 and under should ride in the back seat.