Where is my child?
Safety at home and when traveling

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What do we mean by “safety?”

- Behavioral Strategies
- Who else needs to know?
- ID for your child
- Safety at home
- Safety away from home or when traveling
Behavioral Strategies
Examples of Behavioral Strategies

• Use printable visuals to teach concepts like “stop.” Place by exterior doors and refer to them when teaching.

• Praise enthusiastically when your child stops to wait for an adult or caregiver before leaving the house. TONS of Praise!

• Use social stories with photos of your home and your child with expected behavior like stopping and waiting for an adult before leaving the home.
Who else needs to know?

• Provide your contact information (cell phone number, address, etc.)
• Provide a photo of your child to local law enforcement, along with any helpful information specific to your child
• Include safety concerns in IEP
ID for your child

- ID bracelets
ID for your child - Shoe tags
Safety at Home
Home and Appliance Safety
Door and Doorway Safety
Our Back Door - Many Strategies!
Door Hardware
Travel Safety
Temporary Tattoos
Pinterest version of Temporary Tattoo
Temporary Bracelets
Electronic Tracking
GPS Tracking Technology

Pros
• Widely Available
• Wide price range
• Small tag, bracelet, square device
• Work well most outdoor locations
• Typically “tracked” with a personal cell phone
• Rechargeable
• Some versions have “listen in” capability

Cons
• Don’t work well indoors
• Most require a monthly data plan
• Not typically waterproof
• Varied battery life on a single charge
Radio Frequency Tracking Technology

Pros
- Often more expensive
- Typically used in conjunction with law enforcement programs and need special device brought in by law enforcement to track
- Often use batteries and need regular planned replacement

Cons
- Track well indoors and outdoors
- Some offer waterproof function for a certain time and/or water depth
Big Red Safety Toolkit

- Free, downloadable
- Checklist for all aspects of safety
- Behavioral strategies
- Sample social stories scripts
- Sample safety plan to share with law enforcement
Child Health Advocacy and Kids' Safety

Kohl's Safety Center

The goal of the Kohl's Safety Center is to offer a variety of child safety products and injury prevention education materials to families at the American Family Children’s Hospital and throughout Wisconsin.

At the Kohl's Safety Center, you can shop for products, receive educational materials and ask our trained staff questions about child safety. Most items are less expensive than at local retailers.

The Kohl's Safety Center at American Family Children's Hospital

This unique Kohl's Safety Center serves as a resource for all Wisconsin families.

Child Safety is Important

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References
