

# WHERE IS MY CHILD? SAFETY AT HOME AND WHEN TRAVELING

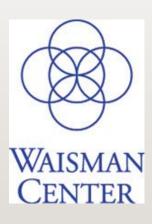
WAISMAN CENTER DAY WITH THE EXPERTS:

#### **AUTISM**

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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

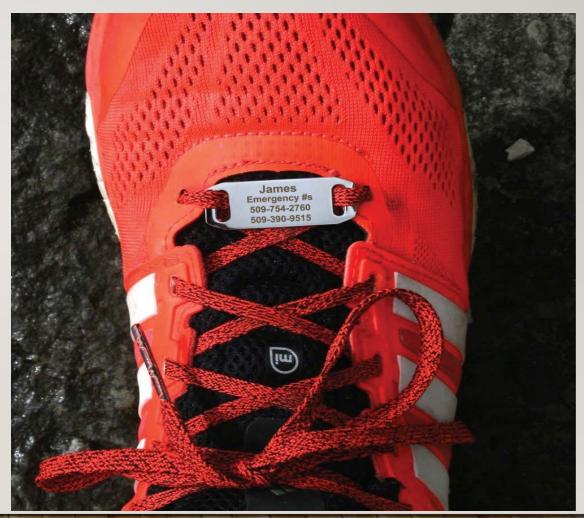






# ID FOR YOUR CHILD - SHOE TAGS





# SAFETY AT HOME



## HOME AND APPLIANCE SAFETY











#### DOOR AND DOORWAY SAFETY





#### DOOR HARDWARE & ALARMS





#### Autism Childproof Lock!



Autism Childproof Lock! Works 24/7 and Never Sleeps!

So you can

sleep when

you travel with them!

Your Child can unlock the door and be gone without you knowing.

Don't wait for a tragedy to happen!



Autism Childproof Lock!



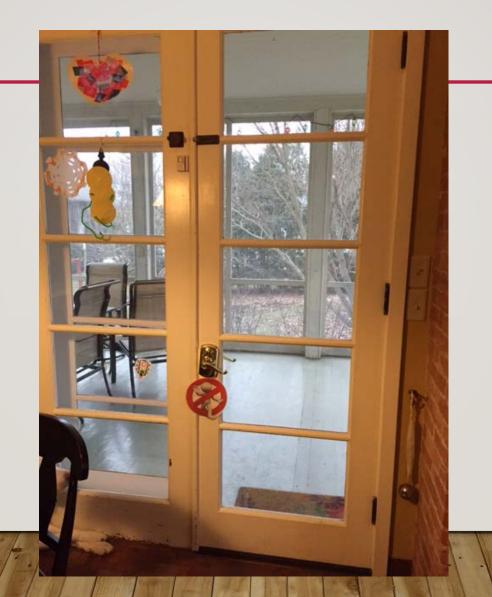
Will stop most Children at the door. Children do not have the hand strength to operate the lock.

Portable lock attaches to hinged doors without damage.

Autism Childproof Lock!
can travel with you on
vacation or to a friend's
home down the street.



## ONE BACK DOOR - MANY STRATEGIES!



# WINDOWS, ETC.



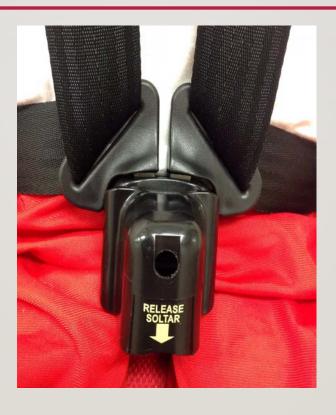


# TRAVEL SAFETY



# **CAR SAFETY**







# TEMPORARY TATTOOS & BRACELETS







## PINTEREST VERSION OF TEMPORARY TATTOO



# **ELECTRONIC TRACKING**



#### MANY DEVICES ON THE MARKET







#### **GPS TRACKING TECHNOLOGY**

#### Pros

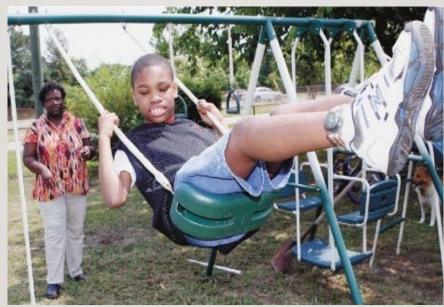
- Widely available
- Wide price range
- Small tag, bracelet, square device
- Work well most outdoor locations
- Typically "tracked" with a personal cell phone
- Rechargeable
- Some versions have "listen in" capability

## 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







# RADIO FREQUENCY TRACKING TECHNOLOGY

# Pros Cons

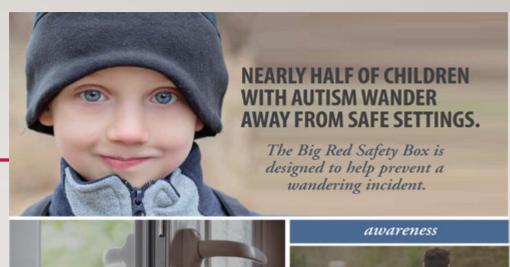
- Often more expensive
- Typically used in conjunction with law enforcement programs and need special device brought in by law enforcement to track
- Often use batteries and need regular planned replacement

- Track well indoors and outdoors
- Some offer waterproof function for a certain time and/or water depth



# "BE RED-Y" BOOKLET – WANDERING PREVENTION

- Free, downloadable
- Checklist for all aspects of safety
- Behavioral strategies
- Sample social stories scripts
- Sample safety plan to share with law enforcement





safety tools





Part of the Big Red Safety Box Program brought to you by the National Autism Association



# SERVICES \* HEALTH & WELLNESS

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#### **LW**Health

American Family Children's Hospital

#### FIND A DOCTOR \* GET INVOLVED

Online Services Referring Physicians Kids' Safety





#### Child Health Advocacy and Kids' Safety

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#### Kohl's Safety Center



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

Child Safety is Important

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 <a href="American Family Children's Hospital">American Family Children's Hospital</a> 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.

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

Phone

(608) 890-8043

Hours

Mondays: 10am-4pm

Tuesdays: 10am-7pm

Wednesday-Friday: 10am-

4pm

Saturdays: Open 8amnoon third Saturday in September, November, January, March, May and



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#### THANK YOU!