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**News Of Older Americans**

**Keep Seniors With Alzheimer's Safe From Wandering**

(NAPSA)-One of the most frightening scenarios for families caring for seniors living with Alzheimer's is a loved one wandering or getting lost. It can understandably cause immediate panic and concern and, unfortunately, happens all too often. In fact, nearly 50 percent of surveyed family members have experienced a loved one with Alzheimer's wandering or getting lost, according to a new survey conducted by Home Instead, Inc., franchisor of the Home Instead Senior Care franchise network.

Anyone living with Alzheimer's or another form of dementia is at risk for wandering and it can happen at any time. If not found within 24 hours, up to half of these missing persons may be at risk for injury or death, according to the Alzheimer's Association.

To help prevent this, it is critical for families to understand the common triggers for wandering and steps they can take to discourage loved ones from doing so.

"Wandering can be a huge challenge and major concern for families living with a loved one with Alzheimer's," said Monica Moreno, director of Early-Stage Initiatives at the Alzheimer's Association. "It's best to be proactive in addressing the issue before it becomes a crisis."

To help families cope, Home Instead is offering free resources to help family caregivers keep their loved ones safe, including information on these common triggers that can lead to wandering:

- **Delusions or hallucinations.** Those living with Alzheimer's or another form of dementia may



Understanding what triggers wandering and taking precautions can keep seniors living with dementia safe at home.

misinterpret sights or sounds, causing them to feel fearful and wander to escape their environment.

- **Overstimulation.** Individuals living with dementia can become easily upset in noisy or crowded environments, triggering them to look for an escape from the chaos.

- **Fatigue, especially during late afternoons and evenings.** People living with dementia may become tired, potentially causing restless pacing and, eventually, wandering.

- **Disorientation as to place and time.** Individuals may not recognize that they are already home and seek to return to a familiar place, such as a former workplace.

- **Change in routine.** Those living with dementia may become confused following a change of routine, wandering in an effort to return to a familiar place.

To explore additional resources, visit [www.PreventWandering.com](http://www.PreventWandering.com) or call a Home Instead Senior Care franchise office. To sign up for the free Missing Senior Network, visit [www.MissingSeniorNetwork.com](http://www.MissingSeniorNetwork.com).



**Parents And Babies**

**Seven Safety Tips For Protecting Your Child**

(NAPSA)-According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, some 70,000 children under age 5 are injured every year by common household products and toys-but yours don't have to be among them.

Here are seven ways to keep infants and toddlers safer:

1. **Cook safely.** Never leave food unattended on the stove. Turn pot handles so curious toddlers can't reach them.

2. **Set your water heater to 120° F or lower.** Infants and small children may not be able to get away from water that's too hot.

3. **Use home safety devices,** such as guards on windows above ground level, stair gates and guardrails.

4. **Keep medicines, cleaning products and other toxic substances** where children can't see or reach them.

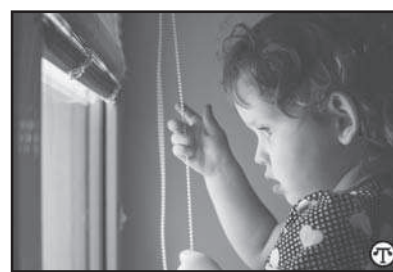
5. **Make sure children are properly buckled up.** With a 90 percent misuse rate for installing car seats and boosters, parents should visit a car seat inspection station in their area to learn how to properly install and use them.

6. **Always check the age label on toys.** Small parts-whether from toys, pieces of food such as hot dogs or grapes, or anything else-can become a choking risk for children who have small throats and tend to put things in their mouths.

7. **Check window coverings** for exposed or dangling cords, which can pose a strangulation hazard to infants and young children.

Parents with young children should replace their corded window coverings with the many cordless products.

To assist the consumer, the Window Covering Manufacturers Association (WCMA) created the Best



A few simple precautions-such as installing cordless window coverings-can help you keep your children safe at home.

for Kids certification program.

For their products to be eligible for certification as safe for homes with small children, manufacturers must meet specified program criteria and submit their window coverings to a designated third-party testing laboratory.

Throughout the year and particularly during October, which is National Window Covering Safety Month, parents are urged to maximize window cord safety by taking these three steps:

- Install only cordless window coverings or those with inaccessible cords. Replace window blinds, corded shades and draperies with those that are cordless or have inaccessible cords. Look for the Best for Kids label.

- Move all cribs, beds, furniture and toys away from windows and window cords of any kind, preferably to another wall.

- When window cords are present, keep them out of sight and reach by shortening or tying them up and away.

**Learn More**

For further facts on window cord safety, visit [www.windowcoverings.org](http://www.windowcoverings.org). For other home safety information and ideas, you can connect with the WCMA on Facebook and Twitter.

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LANE PROBATE DEPARTMENT**

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