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ANIMALS AND INSECTS

My safety around dogs: Guidelines for safe interaction between children (about 8-9 years) and pet dogs.

Taku haumarū me te kuri: He aratohu mo te haumarū i waenga i te tamariki (8-9 pea nga tau) me te kuri.

2008

Author Swain, David; Carter, Jennifer

Department of Societies and Culture, University of Waikato, Hamilton, New Zealand

Hamilton, University of Waikato: 2008

This booklet was distributed to New Zealand Territorial Authorities (local government). This safety booklet for older children (about 8-9 years) aims to provide the best level of understanding of how to avoid pet dog attacks which can injure, maim and even kill children. This research-based educational resource provides practical, valid and reliable guidelines for safe interaction between children and pet dogs in their homes or known to them. The content of this booklet has been drawn from 'Stories with happy endings: Preventing pet dog attacks on children', the 2007-2008 Summer Scholarship report prepared for the Child Accident Prevention Foundation of New Zealand (CAPFNZ) (<http://hdl.handle.net/10289/768>).

It also includes a section of puzzles and games.

The second half of the book is printed upside down and presents the same dog safety information translated into the Maori language.

It also includes web addresses for this and a group of related resources:

<http://waikato.researchgateway.ac.nz/handle/10289/930>

and

<http://hdl.handle.net/10289/930> (English)

<http://hdl.handle.net/10289/984> (Maori)

Reference number 9103

Keeping our children safe around dogs: Guidelines for safe interaction between children and pet dogs.

2008

Author Swain, David; Carter, Jennifer

Department of Societies and Culture, University of Waikato, Hamilton, New Zealand

Hamilton, University of Waikato: 2008

This booklet was distributed to New Zealand Territorial Authorities (local government). This booklet for parents and caregivers aims to provide the best level of understanding of how to avoid pet dog attacks which can injure, maim and even kill children. This research-based educational resource provides practical, valid and reliable guidelines for safe interaction

between children and pet dogs in their homes or known to them. The content of this booklet was drawn from 'Stories with happy endings: Preventing pet dog attacks on children', the 2007-2008 Summer Scholarship report prepared for the Child Accident Prevention Foundation of New Zealand (CAPFNZ). (<http://hdl.handle.net/10289/768>)

Includes useful references and weblinks. It also includes web addresses for this and a group of related resources:

<http://waikato.researchgateway.ac.nz/handle/10289/931>

and

<http://hdl.handle.net/10289/931>

Reference number 9104

Taku haumarū me te kuri.

My safety around dogs.

2008

Author Swain, David; Carter, Jennifer

Department of Societies and Culture, University of Waikato, Hamilton, New Zealand

Hamilton, University of Waikato: 2008

This pamphlet is available in both English and Maori: "This safety leaflet designed to target young children aged 5-6yrs will provide an age-appropriate understanding of how to avoid pet dog attacks which can injure, maim and even kill children. This research-based educational resource provides practical, valid and reliable guidelines for safe interaction between children and pet dogs in their homes or known to them. The content of this leaflet has been drawn from 'Stories with happy endings: Preventing pet dog attacks on children', the 2007-2008 Summer Scholarship report prepared for the Child Accident Prevention Foundation of New Zealand (CAPFNZ). Obtain a copy of the report from <http://hdl.handle.net/10289/768>"

This is also available at:

<http://waikato.researchgateway.ac.nz/handle/10289/968>

and

<http://hdl.handle.net/10289/968> (English)

<http://hdl.handle.net/10289/975> (Maori)

Reference number 9106

ASPHYXIATION

Amber teething necklaces.

2008

Ministry of Consumer Affairs: Manatu Kaihokohoko

Wellington, Ministry of Consumer Affairs: 2008.

This printout of a webpage contains information about traditional necklaces of amber beads which have been gaining popularity as a necklace for teething babies. The amber supposedly relieves pain when against the skin. This webpage warns that the necklaces are not intended to be chewed on and that if they are and they break they could pose both a choking and a strangulation risk. Babies should not be left sleeping with these necklaces. They may also present a hanging hazard.

See: http://www.consumeraffairs.govt.nz/productsafety/consumerinfo/amber_teething.html

Reference number 9095

CHILD HEALTH - NZ

Family information service: Puna korero mo te whanau: Providing information on children's medical conditions and disabilities.

2005

Starship Children's Health
Auckland District Health Board (ADHB)
Family information service: Puna korero mo te whanau
Auckland, Family information service: 2005.

This is a pamphlet for the 'Family information service' which is based in Starship and aimed at patients, parents and caregivers: "Providing information on children's medical conditions and disabilities". An office which contains information resources is staffed there part-time. The pamphlet includes advice about how to get relevant information and contains a section in Maori. It also contains contact details.

Reference number 9087

CONSUMER RIGHTS - NZ

Your consumer rights (services): A guide to the Consumer Guarantees Act.

2007

Ministry of Consumer Affairs- Manatū Kaihokohoko
Wellington, Ministry of Consumer Affairs: 2007

This twenty four page consumer rights booklet includes sections on: What is the Consumer Guarantees Act?, Guarantees for services, Your rights and remedies from traders, Extra loss or damage (consequential loss), Taking the matter further and Ministry of Consumer Affairs contact information.

Reference number 9091

Your consumer rights (goods): A guide to the Consumer Guarantees Act.

2007

Ministry of Consumer Affairs- Manatū Kaihokohoko
Wellington, Ministry of Consumer Affairs: 2007

This forty page consumer rights booklet includes sections on: What is the Consumer Guarantees Act?, Guarantees for goods, Manufacturer's guarantees, Remedies from traders, Remedies from manufacturers, Extra loss or damage (consequential loss), Taking the matter further and Ministry of Consumer Affairs contact information.

Reference number 9092

CYCLISTS - NZ

Bike safety

2005

Ministry of Consumer Affairs - Manatū Kaihokohoko
Wellington, Ministry of Consumer Affairs: 2005

This A4 flyer provides a basic bicycle safety checklist and buying guide. See:
<http://www.consumeraffairs.govt.nz/productsafety/consumerinfo/index.html>

Reference number 9082

DROWNING

Baby bath aids.

2005

Ministry of Consumer Affairs - Manatū Kaihokohoko

Wellington, Ministry of Consumer Affairs: 2005

This factsheet from Consumer Affairs includes a 'safety checklist' and advice on why baby bath seats and aids are dangerous and present a drowning risk and are no replacement for constant and active supervision. See:

<http://www.consumeraffairs.govt.nz/productsafety/consumerinfo/index.html>

Reference number 9084

HOME ENVIRONMENT

A safe home.

2009

Ministry of Consumer Affairs: Manatu Kaihokohoko

Wellington, Ministry of Consumer Affairs: 2009.

This printout of a webpage contains information about caring for nursery furniture to ensure it remains safe to use and some general comments about: keeping nursery furniture away from strangulation hazards like curtain cords and electrical cords, the value of the use of safety barriers etc.

See: <http://www.consumeraffairs.govt.nz/productsafety/consumerinfo/safehome.html>

Reference number 9094

NURSERY EQUIPMENT - NZ

Cots.

2005

Ministry of Consumer Affairs: Manatu Kaihokohoko

Wellington, Ministry of Consumer Affairs: 2005.

Cots are a sleeping environment for children where they can be left for long periods of time and must therefore be safe. This factsheet provides: a safety checklist, a section on second-hand cots and advice regarding purchase, assembly, and use. See:

<http://www.consumeraffairs.govt.nz/productsafety/consumerinfo/index.html>

Reference number 9085

Keeping kids safe: Children's and nursery products.

2008

Ministry of Consumer Affairs: Manatu Kaihokohoko
Wellington, Ministry of Consumer Affairs: 2008.

This booklet brings together information from all of the Consumer Affairs factsheets which relate to child product safety. These include: cots and playyards (both standard and portable), prams and strollers, high chairs and hook-on porta-chairs, bouncinettes, change tables, baby walkers, playpens, safety barriers, toy boxes, baby bath aids, toys, bibs, children's nightwear, jump, swing and play safety.

There is also an introduction, reference to relevant standards and Ministry of Consumer Affairs contact details are given. See:

<http://www.consumeraffairs.govt.nz/productsafety/consumerinfo/index.html>

Reference number 9090

Bouncinettes.

2008

Ministry of Consumer Affairs - Manatū Kaihokohoko
Wellington, Ministry of Consumer Affairs: 2008

This printout of information from a webpage describes the safe way to use bouncinettes at home (bouncinettes can be moved by the baby's motion and fall off raised surfaces or down stairs etc.). It also describes the features to look for when buying them.

See: <http://www.consumeraffairs.govt.nz/productsafety/consumerinfo/bouncinettes.html>

Reference number 9097

Change tables.

2008

Ministry of Consumer Affairs - Manatū Kaihokohoko
Wellington, Ministry of Consumer Affairs: 2008

This printout of information from a webpage describes the safe way to use changing tables as babies can be injured if they wriggle or roll off them. It also describes the safety features to look for when buying them.

See: <http://www.consumeraffairs.govt.nz/productsafety/consumerinfo/bouncinettes.html>

Reference number 9098

High chairs.

2008

Ministry of Consumer Affairs - Manatū Kaihokohoko
Wellington, Ministry of Consumer Affairs: 2008

This printout of information from a webpage describes the safe way to use high chairs as babies can be injured fall from them because of a lack of constant supervision or use of safety straps, or if they tip over. It describes the safety features to look for when buying them such as a wide base, straps which work, compliance with relevant standards etc.

See: <http://www.consumeraffairs.govt.nz/productsafety/consumerinfo/bouncinettes.html>

Reference number 9099

PASSENGERS - CHILD RESTRAINTS

Interventions for promoting booster seat use in four to eight year olds travelling in motor vehicles (Review).

2006

Author Ehiri, J. E. et al,

Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews (1)06 1-35

Maternal and Child Health, School of Public Health, University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, USA.

Cochrane Collaboration

This meta-study from the Cochrane Collaboration which was re-published online 'with edits' in 2009 concludes that in relation to booster seats for older children: "Available evidence suggests that interventions to increase use of booster seats among children age four to eight years are effective. Combining incentives (booster seat discount coupons or gift certificates) or distribution of free booster seats with education demonstrated marked beneficial outcomes for acquisition and use of booster seats for four to eight year olds. There is some evidence of beneficial effect of legislation on acquisition and use of booster seats but this was mainly from uncontrolled before-and-after studies, which did not meet the criteria for inclusion in the meta-analysis."

It also concludes that: "There is still a need for further high quality trials, especially those conducted outside of the USA and Australia, where current research dominates." See also: <http://www.cochrane.org/reviews/en/ab004334.html> and <http://www.thecochranelibrary.com/>

Reference number 9101

PASSENGERS - NZ

Life saver

Te maru ora

2000

Plunket

Royal New Zealand Plunket Society

These are a set of brochures available in the English, Maori, Samoan, Niuean, Tongan and Cook Island languages. They were produced as part of a child restraint package which includes a flipchart. The kit was prepared for health professionals to use when conducting education sessions about child car restraints. The brochures include sections on the 'do's and 'don't's of car restraint use.

Reference number 9088

Keep kids safe in cars: "Kia tiakina nga Tamariki i roto i nga waka".

2007

Royal New Zealand Plunket Society (Inc.)
Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC)
MIDAS

Wellington, Plunket: 2007

This A2 sized poster features a photos of children in correctly fitting and installed child restraints and includes the text: "Babies under 1 year (birth to 12 kg) Rear facing restraint, 1 to 4 years (12 kg to 18 kg) Forward facing restraint, 3 to 8 years (14 kg to 26 kg) Booster seat". This poster is no longer in production.

Reference number 9102

PRODUCT SAFETY - NZ

Product safety.

2009

Ministry of Consumer Affairs: Manatu Kaihokohoko

Wellington, Ministry of Consumer Affairs: 2009.

This printout of a webpage contains information about product safety for both consumers and goods and service providers. It gives an overview of how product safety is achieved and describes what the Ministry of Consumer Affairs does to improve product safety.

See: <http://www.consumeraffairs.govt.nz/productsafety/index.html>

Reference number 9093

SAFEKIDS NZ - NZ

Safekids Campaign - Kaupapa Tamariki Haumarū: Safekids Campaign 2007/08 water safety and cycle safety: Activities completed from January 2007 to September 2008.

2008

Author Randle, Simone

Safekids New Zealand - Tamariki Haumarū o Aotearoa

Auckland, Safekids New Zealand: 2008

This report is provided by Safekids, as co-ordinating agency for the Safekids Campaign to Key Agencies and Coalitions involved with its planning and implementation. It reports on national and community activity undertaken for the Campaign 2007/08 focus on water safety and cycle safety from January 2007 to October 2008. The report contains information gathered by Safekids from a number of sources including Key Agencies and Coalitions.

Reference number 9080

Safekids Campaign - Kaupapa Tamariki Haumarū: Safekids Campaign 2006/07 unintentional childhood falls and poisoning prevention: Final report from Safekids New Zealand: Activities completed from January 1, 2006 - October 1 2007.

2007

Safekids New Zealand - Tamariki Haumarū o Aotearoa

Auckland, Safekids New Zealand: 2007

This report is provided by Safekids, as co-ordinating agency for the Safekids Campaign to Key Agencies and Coalitions involved with its planning and implementation. It reports on national and community activity undertaken for the Campaign 2006/07 focus on water safety and cycle safety from January 2006 to October 2007. The report contains information gathered by Safekids from a number of sources including Key Agencies and Coalitions.

Reference number 9081

STATISTICS AND DATA INJURY - NZ

A chartbook of the New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy serious injury outcome indicators for children; 1994 - 2005.

2007

Author Gulliver, Pauline et al

Injury Prevention Research Unit (IPRU)

New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy Secretariat, Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC)

Wellington: New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy Secretariat,

ACC: 2007

This statistical chartbook presents an adaptation of the New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy (NZIPS) serious injury indicators for four priority areas for children (0-14). This report from the New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy Secretariat, Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC) covers the period 1994 - 2005. Available online at <http://www.nzips.govt.nz/resources/publications.php#reports>

Reference number 9063

A chartbook of the New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy serious injury outcome indicators for Maori; 1996 - 2005.

2007

Author Cryer, Colin et al

Injury Prevention Research Unit (IPRU)

New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy Secretariat, Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC)

Wellington: New Zealand Injury Prevention Strategy Secretariat,

ACC: 2007

This publication is the first chartbook report to measure the rate of serious non-fatal and fatal injuries amongst the Maori population. It was completed by the Injury Prevention Research Unit, Otago University and published by the NZIPS Secretariat in June 2007.

The chartbook includes 'proposed' and the 'provisional' injury outcome indicators for all injuries and selected indicators for the priority areas, for the period 1996 to 2005. The indicators are based on NZHIS Hospitalisation and Mortality data. Available online at <http://www.nzips.govt.nz/resources/publications.php#reports>

Reference number 9064

THERMAL INJURIES - NZ

Kapai's keepsafe children's firewise: Be a stay alive Kiwi!

2002

Author Gadsby, Jon; 'Uncle Anzac'

New Zealand Fire Service

The Flying Kiwi Ltd

Freelance Animator Ltd

Auckland, Random House New Zealand: 2002

This general fire safety guide for children includes information on: matches, lighters and candles, checking for fire hazards, smoke alarms, dialling 111, getting out of a burning house, a safe meeting place, 'stop, drop and roll', smother those flames and burns first aid. Uses cartoons, short stories and rhymes

Reference number 9065

Be firewise this summer.

2008

New Zealand Fire Service - Whakaratonga Iwi

Wellington, New Zealand Fire Service - Whakaratonga Iwi: 2008

This pamphlet include fire safety advice targeted at activities more common during the summer holiday period: caravanning/ camping (care with gas bottles and kitchen areas, use of smoke alarms and extinguishers), barbecuing (care with fire bans, accelerants, keeping children away, extinguishing) and boating (care while refuelling, lifejacket use). And in general care with alcohol use is recommended.

Reference number 9066

Hot water bottles.

2005

Ministry of Consumer Affairs: Manatu Kaihokohoko

Wellington, Ministry of Consumer Affairs: 2005

The sale of unsafe rubber hot water bottles has been banned following incidents where hot water bottles split, perished or leaked, and in some cases caused serious burns. This factsheet provides a list of Do's and Don'ts relating to rubber hot water bottles. See: <http://www.consumeraffairs.govt.nz/productsafety/consumerinfo/index.html>

Reference number 9086

Children's nightwear.

2008

Ministry of Consumer Affairs - Manatū Hauora

Wellington, Ministry of Consumer Affairs: 2008

This printout of a webpage contains information about the flame burn risk some children's nightwear poses. It focuses on the warning labels that are required to be sewn into the clothing: white label - 'Low fire danger', orange label - 'Caution, not heat or flame resistant, wear snug fitting to reduce risk' and Red label - 'Warning, high fire danger, keep away from fire'. Also provides hints for people who do home sewing.

See: <http://www.consumeraffairs.govt.nz/productsafety/consumerinfo/childrensnightwear.html>

Reference number 9096

TOYS - NZ

Toy safety

Ministry of Consumer Affairs - Manatū Kaihokohoko

Wellington, Ministry of Consumer Affairs: 2005

This is a factsheet which focuses on toy safety. Information is provided as a 'safety checklist' under the 5 'S's: Size, Surface, Strings, Supervision, Smooth. There are also suggestions for the right toys for each child age group.

Further information available at

<http://www.consumer-ministry.govt.nz/toys.html> and

See: <http://www.consumeraffairs.govt.nz/productsafety/consumerinfo/index.html>

Reference number 9083

Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS ISO 8124.3:2003: Safety of toys Part 3: Migration of certain elements.

2003

Standards Australia

Standards New Zealand - Paerewa Aotearoa

Wellington, Standards New Zealand: 2003

This standard specifies maximum acceptable levels and methods of sampling (and extraction, prior to analysis) for the migration of certain potentially poisonous or toxic elements from toy materials and from parts of toys. These elements include: antimony, arsenic, barium, cadmium, chromium, lead, mercury and selenium. This standard is related to ISO 8124-3:1997.

Reference number 9089

Noisy toys.

2008

Ministry of Consumer Affairs - Manatū Kaihokohoko

Wellington, Ministry of Consumer Affairs: 2008

This printout of information from a webpage describes features to look out for when buying potentially noisy toys: "Remember, under the age of 18 months a child's hearing is at its most sensitive. At this age a child can't easily get away from or shield themselves from a loud noise. That's why it's important to buy toys suitable for the age. For babies, try to buy a toy that makes a noise at about the same level as a conversation - that's around 60dB. The toy should be kept well away from a baby's head."

It also lists sound level recommendations (in decibels) and warns that cap guns, for instance, can produce excessive noise and it lists the decibel readings of common noises from a whisper to a chainsaw or fireworks.

See: <http://www.consumeraffairs.govt.nz/productsafety/consumerinfo/noisy-toys.html>

Reference number 9100

TRANSPORT INJURIES - NZ

Motor vehicle crashes in New Zealand 2007: Statistical statement calendar year 2007.

2008

Ministry of Transport

Wellington, Ministry of Transport: 2008

This item is an "... annual statistical statement on road crashes in New Zealand. Crash data are derived from Traffic Crash Reports completed by police officers who attend fatal and injury crashes. The detailed information about crash circumstances and causes is extracted from these reports by NZ Transport Agency staff (formerly Land Transport New Zealand) and stored in the Ministry's Crash Analysis System (CAS). The New Zealand crash data presented in this annual publication is extracted from the information stored in CAS.

As well as the road crash statistics from CAS, Motor Vehicle Crashes in New Zealand includes national hospital, breath and blood alcohol, road user behaviour and comparative international statistics which relate to road crashes."

Also available as a pdf at: <http://www.transport.govt.nz/annual-statistics-2007/>

Reference number 9062