

News

Bindeez Toy Beads: 'Make Spray & They Stay', 'magic beads that join together with water'. Bindeez Toy Beads have been internationally recalled. A 7 year old girl presented at an emergency department having swallowed bindeez beads. They are coated in 1,4-Butanediol; a potent sedative. The girl thought they were sweets because they tasted like marzipan (Kid Rapt).

Child Health Promotion programmes (CHPP) builds on the NSF from 2004. This is a Best Practice Guide for Children's Services. Accident prevention features in the health promotion section. It stipulates that advice should be given to parents regarding accident prevention and services should provide information on the correct use of use of safety equipment and facilitate access to local schemes for the provision of safety equipment. It also proposes that information should be provided regarding thermal injuries. For more information visit www.dfes.gov.uk/publications/pregnancyandthefirstfiveyears/.

Toy Recall: following recent recalls of millions of toys containing lead or dangerous magnets, the ANEC is concerned about the shortcomings of existing legislation and the need to alert

**One serious scald
can cost the NHS
more than
£250,000 to treat.**

The picture shows a baby burns doll which depicts the injuries of a baby burned in a bath of hot water. Each health visiting team has a set of these dolls to use with parent groups.



consumers to the fact that the CE marking is not a guarantee of safety. It is simply a claim that the product complies with EU legislation (Kid Rapt).

Child Safety Week
Child Accident Prevention Trust
Mon 23rd - Sun 29th June 2008

The theme for Child Safety Week this year is "Make a change. Make a difference". It is about helping parents, carers and children to understand the risks and that very small and simple changes can minimise these risks (see CAPT website for further details www.capt.org.uk). Child Safety Week information packs will be sent out to all schools and children's centres in Bradford by the Multi Agency Child Safety Group in May.

Launch of the Strategy for Child Injury Prevention

The Child Injury Prevention Strategy for the Bradford District will be launched during Child Safety Week. Electronic copies will be made available on the BSCB website www.bradford-scb.org.uk.

Details of events planned during Child Safety Week will feature in the June newsletter.

- Scalds can be prevented by running cold water into a bath first and then adding hot water, never leaving hot drinks where children can reach them and ensuring pans are placed at the back of the stove.
- Balloon tragedy: a five year old girl recently died in Northants after biting into a balloon and choking. This is a reminder that balloons do not make safe giveaways at parties/welcome packs. Balloons are unsuitable for children under 8 years to be left alone with, according to safety recommendations (Kid Rapt).
- Dummies & SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome): FSID (Foundation for SIDS) recognise that dummies are controversial, however that the evidence is compelling and parents should be informed that research shows that dummies reduce the risk of cot death. Kid Rapt will send samples of MAM dummies and information out to health professionals working with them. For further information visit: <http://www.fsid.org.uk/research.html> http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/PublicationsandStatistics/Publications/PublicationsPolicyandGuidance/DH_4123625

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