Colorado Poison Center 2017 Annual Report 7/1/17 - 6/30/18



37,240 Human Exposures

3,188 Information Calls



13,630 Healthcare Facility Cases

22,812 Exposures Age 19 and Under

The Colorado Poison Center managed 23,652 cases where the poisoning occurred, saving the time & expense of an ED visit.

The Colorado Poison
Center managed 60,393
inbound calls through its
24 hour hotline!

17,657 Total Medication Exposures

Poisoning is the second leading cause of unintentional death due to injury in the United States.

For every dollar spent on poison center services \$13.39 is saved in medical expenses.

\$11,989,380 savings to Colorado 41,978 Total Cases

5,690 Analgesic Exposures



Total Exposure to Cleaning Products & Cosmetic Items 4,297

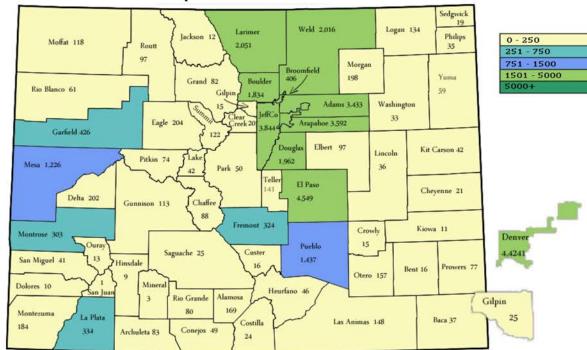


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Public Education

The Colorado Poison Center distributed over 39,626 poison prevention brochures, stickers, magnets, and other educational materials in English and Spanish throughout Colorado. In addition Specialists and Physicians from the Poison Center gave 21 presentations on Medication Safety and Poison Prevention as well as poisoning treatment.

Professional/Public Education

The Colorado Poison Center is able to provide on-site appearances for professional/public education on a limited capacity. If you are interested in having a presenter for your event, please call our Education line at 303-389-5506.

Who calls the poison center?

Poison centers take calls from the public and healthcare professionals, managing cases about people of all ages, and can provide help in 150 languages. Each year about half of exposure cases managed by poison centers involve children younger than six, but many of the more serious cases occur among adolescents and adults.