Why is the Nevada Poison Center important?
An estimated $6.9 million in healthcare costs were saved in Nevada by utilizing the Nevada Poison Center to treat poisoning cases at the site of exposure rather than in an emergency department or doctor’s office.

- 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.

- The Nevada Poison Center staff provides emergency poison treatment information that may prevent an unnecessary hospital visit.

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Nevada Cases by County
Summary of Results—Nevada 2014

Exposure Cases by Age Group

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Top Ten Most Common Poison Categories for Human Exposures

1. Analgesics 2,207
2. Bites and Envenomations 1,236
3. Household Cleaning Substances 1,041
4. Cosmetics/Personal Care Prod. 1,005
5. Sedatives/Hypnotics 1,001
6. Cardiovascular Drugs 652
7. Antihistamines 584
8. Alcohols 517
9. Foreign Bodies, Toys 498
10. Topical Preparations 484

Top Ten Most Common Poison Categories for Children 0-5 Years

1. Cosmetics/Personal Care Prod. 748
2. Analgesics 727
3. Household Cleaning Substances 561
4. Topical Preparations 377
5. Foreign Bodies (Toys, Misc.) 358
6. Antihistamines 261
7. Vitamins 260
8. Gastrointestinal Preparations 202
9. Cardiovascular Drugs 165
10. Hormones 158

Cases by Type—Nevada 2014
25,082 Cases Managed by RMPDC Professionals

- Human Exposure: 15,387 (62%)
- Animal Exposure: 580 (2%)
- Information: 9,115 (36%)

Case Management Site for 15,387 Human Exposures

- 66% of cases managed at home
- 34% of cases referred to emergent care