



Health and Wellness Tip of the Week - Week 29

Monthly Topic

Enjoying summer fun should include staying safe. During July remind employees about summer safety.



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Riding Lawnmower Tips

Each year about 230,000 people go to the emergency room with injuries from lawn and garden tools. And more than 74,000 of those are hurt by lawn mowers. More than 800 children a year are run over by riding lawnmowers. To help keep your child safe outdoors, consider these tips:

- Don't let children in the yard when you're mowing.
- Don't let children operate the mower.
- Children should not ride on the mower with you, no matter how fun it may seem.
- Never take for granted that children stay where you left them. Be very careful when backing up or going around corners, bushes or trees.
- Children won't know the danger of a hot engine. To keep them from getting burned, don't let them near a running or recently running engine.

Sources: American Society for Surgery of the Hand; U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission; Injury Update Report – Injury Prevention Service, Oklahoma State Department of Health