



## Proper Storage and Handling of Medication

- Avoid pediatric exposure
  - Store the medication out of sight and reach of children
  - Keep medication in original labeled prescription container with childproof cap at all times
  - Tablets or film packages should never be left open or left out
  - Never leave tablets/films out of the container – even for a few moments
  - If medication is to be stored at multiple locations, obtain an extra prescription container that is properly labeled
- Never share prescription medications
  - Sharing medication is diversion
- Keep medication in a safe and secure location
  - Use a lock box, bag or cabinet for safer storage
  - Avoid leaving medication in the car or any public space
- Protecting Others and Protecting Treatment
  - If medication was stolen, report it to law enforcement and contact your primary care provider.
  - If medication is accidentally ingested by anyone, contact:  
Regional Center for Poison Control  
1-800-222-1222  
(TTY 1-888-244-5313)