

Safety Around The Home

Preventing Prescription Medicine Abuse

(NAPSA)—According to the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America, one in five teens has abused prescription drugs. The Partnership for a Drug-Free America says 70 percent of people who abuse prescription drugs get them from their home, their friends or their family. Here are some ways to protect your family.

What You Can Do

The Partnership points out that parents have more influence over their child than friends, music, TV, the Internet and celebrities.

Kids who learn about the risks of drugs and alcohol from their parents, the organization adds, are up to 50 percent less likely to use than those who do not.

You can help your teen stay safe and make healthy choices, it says, by:

- Talking and listening regularly.
- Being directly involved in your child's everyday world.
- Making it clear that you do not want him or her drinking or using drugs.
- Setting limits.

In addition, according to the National Youth Anti-Drug Media Campaign, one of the most effective ways to curb prescription drug abuse is to safeguard medications.

For many families, a great way to safeguard high-risk prescription and over-the-counter medications may be with a new and improved line of locking medicine cabinets, recessed security cabinets and lockboxes from NuTone® that blend in with most home environments.

The cabinets offer an inconspicuous and durable keyed mechanism that limits access to the contents inside. They feature a



Locking up prescription drugs can lock in some peace of mind.

contemporary frame in oil-rubbed bronze or satin nickel finishes that can coordinate décor with popular bath and hardware fixtures.

To secure medications in other parts of the home, NuTone offers recessed security cabinets that can help maximize storage space. These cabinets fit easily between standard stud distances and can be installed in a closet or behind a door or anywhere in the home where one may want to store valuables. In addition, the cabinet door can be camouflaged with paint or wallpaper for enhanced concealment.

For those in need of a smaller option for secure storage, NuTone offers a compact and discreet lockbox, which can be installed within an existing medicine cabinet, kitchen cabinet or storage unit with at least 14 inches of width. It lets you secure your medications, but still have easy access to other items for everyday use.

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