

SAFETY SENSE

Family Road Safety: Protect The Ones You Love

(NAPSA)—Each year 40,000 people are killed in the United States in motor vehicle crashes, while 1.2 million die worldwide. National agencies and local communities across the world are mobilizing to prevent these deaths as part of World Health Day 2004, which focuses on road traffic



safety. “We can prevent motor vehicle-related deaths, the leading killer of children and young adults in this country, by taking simple precautions,” explains Dr. Sue Binder, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (www.cdc.gov/injury).

CDC offers these proven tips for maintaining the health and safety of all persons who share the road:

- Wear seat belts.
- Properly restrain children in the back seat.
- Wear helmets while riding bicycles, motor bikes or motorcycles.
- Never drive under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Slow down and follow posted speed limits.
- Share the road safely with pedestrians and cyclists.