Planning on renting a recreational vehicle (RV), or traveling with family or friend in one, with your child?

Before traveling with your child in an RV, learn of the risks and choose the best alternative that is the safest for your child.

1. Motorized RV’s (Class A, B and C) are not required to have rear occupant crash testing or meet Federal seat belt standards for rear seating, depending on the weight of the RV. Check with each manufacturer if it meets seat belt standards.
2. Kitchen equipment anchored to wooden frames and wooden cabinets can collapse or become projectiles during a collision.
3. Other travel supplies, as well as passengers can also become projectiles and injure occupants during a collision.
4. Car Seats & booster seats are never to be used in rear-facing or side-facing seating.
5. Never leave a child alone in an RV or motor vehicle.

When an infant or toddler is brought into an RV, they are exposed to a new environment. It is natural for them to explore to learn. Just like in your home constant supervision is not always possible so check for:

- Unexpected areas where toddlers can climb that increases their risk of a fall, burn, cut, poisoning, etc.
- Doors and cabinets where a child can get inside and become trapped—closets, bathroom, bedroom, or RV itself
- Stairs/exit ways, doors, windows (screens are not meant to keep children from falling through)
- Loose straps, duffel bag cords, window shades, etc. within a child’s reach can become a strangulation risk
- Electrical heaters—make sure a baby cannot put their fingers or other item in resulting in fire or burn risk
- Low level storage doors, vents, utility access, etc. where a toddler can enter
- Possible access to medications, chemicals, etc.
- Hot water temperature. Make sure temperature is less than 120 degrees

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**Baby Proof Your RV**

Whether you are renting an RV or traveling with family or friends in one, childproofing the RV will help keep your trip a pleasant one and away from the emergency room.

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**RV Baby Safety Items**

- Cabinet Locks
- Door Knob Covers
- Outlet Covers
- Oven Knob Covers
- Baby Safety Travel Gate
- Travel Baby Bed
- Travel Toddler Bed
- Baby Changing Pad
- Travel Baby Crib
- Travel High Chair

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