SUNDAY MORNING Health Corner Holiday Toy Safety Tips

As the holiday season approaches, many of us are searching for the perfect toys to give our little ones. However, it's crucial to make sure that these toys are not only fun, but safe as well.

Nearly a quarter million children visit the emergency room each year due to toy-related injuries. There are steps you can take to make sure your child stays safe and injury-free.

First, **follow age** recommendations on the toy's packaging. Additionally, inspect toys for small parts or other potential choking hazards, sharp edges or points that could cause injury.

Separate toys by age. Toys intended for older children may pose a risk to younger, curious siblings.

Lastly, look for toys with clear, detailed instructions to ensure proper assembly and use.

By taking these precautions, This holiday season, let's make sure we're giving the gifts of joy and peace of mind. Learn more from the Consumer Product Safety Commission <u>cpsp.gov.</u>.

