

FIRST AID FOR POISONING

In all cases it is important to get the poison out or dilute the poison. **REMEMBER**, if anyone swallows poison it is an emergency. (Any non-food substance is a potential poison. Always call for help promptly.

CALL YOUR POISON CONTROL CENTER PROMPTLY

SWALLOWED POISONS

1. Make patient vomit, if so directed, **BUT NOT IF:**
 - Patient is unconscious or is having a seizure.
 - Swallowed poison is a strong corrosive such as acid or lye.
Ex. Dishwashing detergent. Give liquids.
 - Swallowed poison contains kerosene, gasoline, lighter fluid, furniture polish, or other petroleum distillates (unless it contains dangerous insecticides as well, which must be removed). Give liquids.
2. Do not waste time waiting for vomiting, but transport patient, if indicated, to a medical facility. Bring with you the container(s) of the substance(s) involved. If vomiting occurred, bring the vomitus.

EYE OR SKIN CONTACT – Wash eyes thoroughly with tap water.

INHALATION – Remove from exposure to fumes.

CALL FOR HELP PROMPTLY

National Poison Control - 1-800-222-1222