Fall-Related Injuries Among Children Age 0-19 Years

Arizona, 2007

From 2004-2007, falls were the #1 unintentional injury cause for hospitalization or emergency department visits among children ages 0-5.

In 2007, **42,718** Arizona children were hospitalized or seen in an emergency department for a non-fatal fall injury.

7 children died from fall-related injuries in 2007.

The longest hospital stay for a non-fatal fall injury was 34 days.

99.9% of all fall-related injuries among children were unintentional.

The 41,835 non-fatal emergency department visits totaled **$52.1 million** in hospital charges.

On average, each non-fatal inpatient hospitalization cost $19,888. Total hospital charges for all non-fatal inpatient hospitalizations was **$17.6 million**.

You can prevent fall-related injuries!
- Wear protective equipment such as helmets, wrist guards, knee and elbow pads with playing active sports, skating, snow skiing, or climbing
- Supervise children around fall hazards such as stairs and playground equipment
- Use home safety devices such as stair gates and window guards for windows above ground level.