



## Child Passenger Safety



**Unintentional injury is the leading cause of death & disability among children birth to age five in the United States. Motor vehicle crashes injuries are the largest cause of unintentional injury.**

- Child Passenger Safety education and installation is a service of the La Crosse County Health Department. Our mission is to educate and assist parents or caregivers on safe travel.
- Over 80% of parents are not installing their child's car seat correctly.
- Wisconsin State Law requires children need to be restrained in a child safety seat or booster seat until the age of 8 years old, or 57 inches tall, or 80 pounds.
- Child safety seats/car seats fit children according to height and weight limits. Keep your child in a harness as long as your child fits within the height and weight limits of the seat.
- Children under the age of 13 years should ride in the back seat.
- Child safety seats expire after 6 years, check the expiration date. Do not use a child safety seat that has been involved in a crash.
- **The La Crosse County Health Department provides installation education on child safety seats to parents/caregivers. The fee for service is available for \$25.00 per seat.**

### Child Passenger Safety Program:

**Do You Have Questions About Car Seats?**

**We Can Help**

**Car Seat Checks by Trained Technicians.**

To schedule an appointment or for more information call:

La Crosse County Health Department

(608)785-9872

### **FREE Community Car Seat Checks are available:**

**1. Onalaska Police Department- 608-781-9550**

**2. UW-La Crosse Parking Services- 785-8061**

**3. Brenengen Chevrolet (April- September)**

**1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month: Brenengen West Salem 3:00pm-7:00pm**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month: Brenengen Onalaska 3:00pm-7:00pm**

### **Our Favorite Links:**

- Wisconsin Child Passenger Safety Association - [www.wcpsa.com](http://www.wcpsa.com)
- [Has my child's car seat been recalled?](#)
- National SAFE KIDS Campaign - [www.safekids.org](http://www.safekids.org)
- [What are the child occupant laws in my state?](#)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)
- Healthfinder - [www.healthfinder.gov](http://www.healthfinder.gov)
- National Highway Traffic Safety Administration - [www.nhtsa.dot.gov](http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov)
- National Program for Playground Safety - [www.uni.edu/playground](http://www.uni.edu/playground)
- Online Resource for Recalls - [www.recalls.gov](http://www.recalls.gov)
- Parenthood.com – Helping Families Grow - [www.parenthood.com](http://www.parenthood.com)
- Safety Belt Safe, USA - [www.carseat.org](http://www.carseat.org)
- U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission - [www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov)