

### 2013 Statistical Report Charles County, MD

County accounted for 2.5% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

#### **Types of Calls**

Total human exposures	842	Animal Exposures	22
< 12 months	42		
1 year	110	Information Calls	182
2 years	134		
3 years	48		
4 years	20		
5 years	20		
6-12 years	46		
13-19 years	77		
20-59 years	269		
>60 years	69		
Unknown Adult	5		
Unknown Age	2		

# **Reason for exposure**

#### Unintentional 631 General 373 Environmental 14 Occupational 11 Therapeutic Error 126 Misuse 85 Bite or Sting 14 Food Poisoning 8 Intentional 177 Suspected Suicide 112 Misuse 30 Abuse 32 Unknown 3 34 Other Contamination/Tampering 4 2 Malicious Adverse Reaction/Drug 17 Adverse Reaction/Other 6 5 Unknown

# **Management Site**

On site/non Healthcare Facility Healthcare Facility Other Refused Referral	538 288 11 5
Medical Outcome	
No Effect Minor Effect Moderate Effect Major Effect Death Other/Unknown	241 496 64 5 0 36

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### Most common exposures, children under 6 years:

- 1. Cosmetics and personal care products
- 2. Household cleaning products
- 3. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 4. Foreign bodies
- 5. Topical medicines (for the skin)

# Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Cold and cough medicines
- 3. Antihistamines
- 4. Stimulants and street drugs
- 5. *(tie)* Foreign bodies
  Sleep medicines and antipsychotics

#### Most common exposures, adults 20-59 years:

- 1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 2. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
- 3. Alcohols
- 4. Household cleaning substances
- 5. (tie) Anticonvulsants
  Antihistamines

#### Most common exposures, adults 60 years and older:

- 1. Heart medicines
- 2. Analgesics (pain relievers)
- 3. *(tie)* Cosmetics and personal care products Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
- 5. Hormones (including anti-diabetic and thyroid medicines)