

Carbon Monoxide Poisoning

Carbon monoxide poisoning is a particular hazard during the winter months when windows and doors are tightly closed and outside air is not circulating in the house.

Lighted charcoal grills should NEVER be brought inside the house for cooking purposes. These heat sources produce poisonous carbon monoxide.

Malfunctioning space heaters, furnaces and wood stoves are other common sources of carbon monoxide poisoning in your home. Every year, have your furnace checked by a professional to make sure it is working safely.

Automobiles produce carbon monoxide and should never be left running in a garage. Start your vehicle and then drive it outside immediately.

This poisonous gas is invisible and odorless.

High levels of this dangerous gas can develop in a short amount of time.

Carbon monoxide poisoning feels like the flu: Symptoms include nausea, headache, dizziness, and perhaps shortness of breath.

If you suspect Carbon Monoxide poisoning, call 911.

If not properly cared for, you may become unconscious and die.

Poisoning results from the carbon monoxide replacing the oxygen in your bloodstream.

Install a carbon monoxide detector to provide early warning.