

Free Seat Checks

The Ohio Department of Health states that 3 out of 4 child safety seats are not used correctly. You can have your child's seat checked by a certified seat technician from the health department. Call to schedule an appointment!!



Need a car seat?

We can help provide you with a no cost seat if:

- Your child meets weight and height requirements for available seats
- You attend, participate in, and complete a car seat class
- Your child is WIC or Medicaid eligible



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The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends:

- Infants and toddlers should ride in a rear-facing car safety seat as long as possible, until they reach the highest weight or height allowed by their seat.
- Once they are facing forward, children should use a forward-facing car safety seat with a harness for as long as possible, until they reach the height and weight limits for their seats. When children exceed these limits, they should use a belt-positioning booster seat until the vehicle's lap and shoulder seat belt fits properly.
- When children are old enough and large enough to use the vehicle seat belt alone, they should always use lap and shoulder seat belts for optimal protection.
- All children younger than 13 years should be restrained in the rear seats of vehicles for optimal protection.

Source: American Academy of Pediatrics
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The Ohio Buckles Buckeyes (OBB) Program

The Ohio Department of Health's child passenger safety (CPS) program, Ohio Buckles Buckeyes (OBB), provides child safety seats and booster seats to eligible low income families in all Ohio counties. The overall goal of this program is to increase the availability of child safety seats for families who could not otherwise afford them and to increase correct installation and proper use of child safety seats.

Through the coordinated efforts of a network of local and regional CPS coordinators, the OBB Program distributes child safety seats and booster seats and provides CPS education. The OBB Program has distributed more than 17,000 child safety seats and booster seats to low income families in Ohio over the past five years.

Requirements for the Ohio Buckles Buckeyes Program

In order to receive an OBB seat, income eligible families* must attend an educational class provided by trained local CPS staff. In this session, the parent/caregiver(s) receives important education on how to properly use the car seat for their child, and they are instructed on how to correctly install the seat in their vehicle.

**income must be within WIC guidelines although recipient does not need to be enrolled in the WIC Program*

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