



Media Advisory - California Poison Control Press Briefing

Holiday Hazards and How to Avoid Them

California Poison Control Expert Visits Local Tree Lot

What: Christmas is a bounty of gifts, plants and beautiful decorations. But many items can accidentally harm children and adults. The day after Christmas is the busiest day of the year in the emergency room. There are 15,000 holiday decoration injuries and \$16 million in property loss from Christmas trees. Join California Poison Control on a visit to a local tree lot full of holiday trees, decorations and plants to find out ways to stay safe while enjoying holiday cheer.

Who: Cyrus Rangan M.D., Assistant Medical Director, California Poison Control System
**Special discussion about holiday drinking and toddlers/young children.

Visuals The event will demonstrate safety issues surrounding:

- Trees
- Flocking
- Lead
- Batteries
- Wrapping paper
- Toys
- Plants
- Lights/ornaments
- Food

When: Thursday, December 17, 11 a.m.

Where: Shawn's Christmas Tree Lot
6815 S. La Cienega Blvd. (near La Tijera)
Los Angeles, CA 90045

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