2006 Statistical Report
Harford County, MD

County accounted for 6.8% of human exposure calls to the Maryland Poison Center

Types of Calls

Total human exposures	**2,240**	**Animal Exposures**	**113**
< 12 months	123		
1 year	396	**Information Calls**	**1,634**
2 years	375		
3 years	149		
4 years	96		
5 years	50		
6-12 years	159		
13-19 years	197		
Adult	691		
Unknown age	4		

Reason for exposure

Unintentional	**1,809**
General	1,329
Environmental	18
Occupational	37
Therapeutic Error	260
Misuse	121
Bite or Sting	34
Food poisoning	9
Unknown	1
Intentional	**376**
Suspected Suicide	262
Misuse	52
Abuse	53
Unknown	9
Other	**53**
Contamination/Tampering	5
Malicious	10
Adverse Reaction/Drug	26
Adverse Reaction/Other	6
Unknown	6

Management Site

On site/non Healthcare Facility	1,618
Healthcare Facility	568
Other	26
Refused Referral	28

Medical Outcome

No Effect	694
Minor Effect	1,383
Moderate Effect	82
Major Effect	6
Death	3
Other/Unknown	66

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)
6. Cold and cough medicines
7. Plants
8. Pesticides
9. (*tie*) Gastrointestinal medicines (for the stomach)
   Vitamins

Most common exposures, children 6-19 years:

1. Analgesics (pain relievers)
2. Cold and cough medicines
3. Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
4. Antidepressants
5. Antihistamines
6. Cosmetics and personal care products
7. Foreign bodies
8. Household cleaning products
9. Stimulants and street drugs
10. Pesticides

Most common exposures, adults 20 years and older:

1. (*tie*) Analgesics (pain relievers)
       Sleep medicines and antipsychotics
3. Antidepressants
4. Alcohols
5. Heart medicines
6. Household cleaning products
7. Anticonvulsants
8. Cold and cough medicines
9. Bites and stings
10. Chemicals