



SKPA Local Groups

During the 2024-2025 fiscal year (from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025), SKPA groups checked over 2,000 car seats using certified child passenger safety technicians and distributed over 800 car seats to PA families!

Safe Kids groups do more than child passenger safety! We also focus on safe sleep, bike safety, poison prevention, and other topics around unintentional childhood injury prevention.

Find your local SKPA group:



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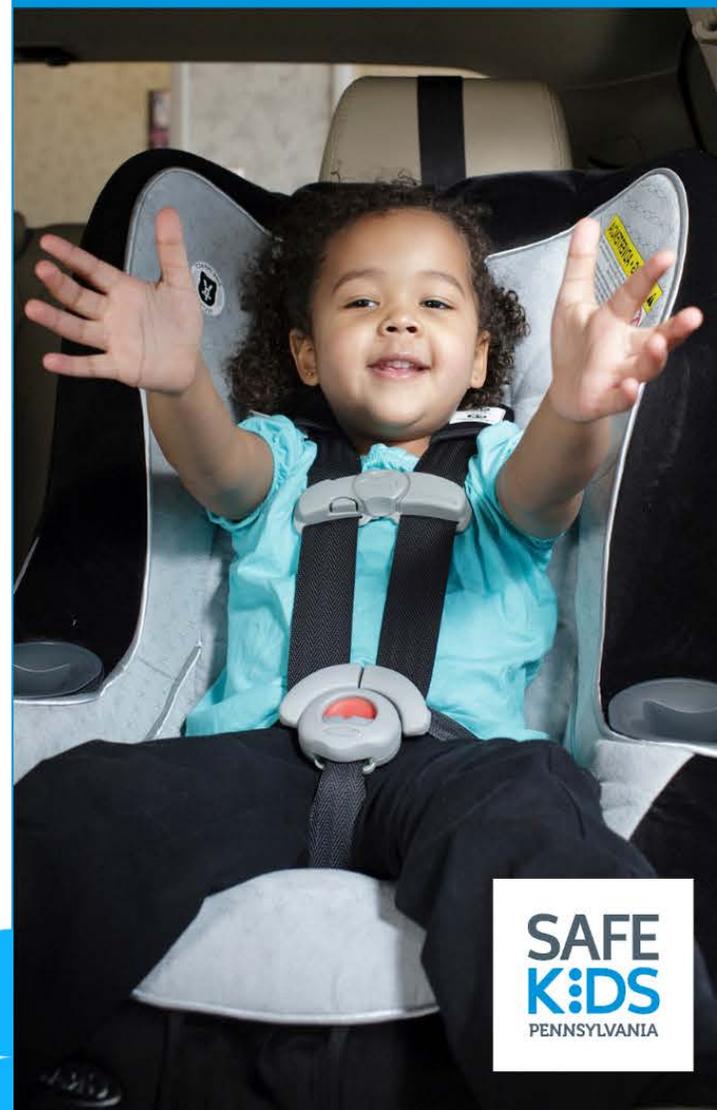
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Safe Kids Pennsylvania

*Keeping Kids Safe
On and Off the Road*



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Choosing a Child Safety Seat

There are three types of car seats a parent or caregiver can choose for their child:

1. **Rear-facing car seat**
2. **Forward-facing car seat**
3. **Booster seat**



Before purchasing a car seat, read its labels carefully. Look for the **weight, height, and age** limits to ensure the seat is appropriate for your child.



If you buy a used car or booster, know its FULL crash history.



Complete and mail the registration card that comes with your child's seat. Doing this will allow you to be notified if there are any safety recalls on the seat.

Pennsylvania's Child Passenger Laws

Children under 2 must be secured in a rear-facing car seat until the child outgrows the maximum weight and height limits designated by the car seat manufacturer.

Children under the age of 4 must be properly restrained in a child passenger restraint system when riding anywhere in a vehicle.

Children ages 4 up to age 8 are required to be in an appropriately fitting child booster seat when riding anywhere in a vehicle.

Children from age 8 up to age 18 must be in a seat belt.

Installing a Child Safety Seat

Find a **Safe Kids Checkup** event or a **Certified Child Passenger Safety Technician** to ensure your child's car seat is installed properly.



Always refer to your specific car seat manufacturer's instructions when installing a car seat.



Read your vehicle owner's manual on how to install the car seat using the seat belt or LATCH system in your vehicle.



Do the Inch Test. A properly-installed car seat shouldn't move more than one inch front to back or side to side when pulled at the seat belt path.