



CHILD SAFETY ON THE FARM PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

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HELLO, I'M USDA FARM SERVICE AGENCY ADMINISTRATOR JONATHAN COPPESS. EVERY YEAR THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN ARE INJURED AND HUNDREDS ARE KILLED ON AMERICA'S FARMS AND RANCHES. FARM TRAGEDIES ARE NOT RANDOM. THEY ARE PREDICTABLE. THEY ARE PREVENTABLE. PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO IMPLEMENT PRECAUTIONS THAT CAN KEEP YOUR CHILDREN SAFE. PROVIDE SAFE PLAY AREAS. BE A ROLE-MODEL FOR SAFE BEHAVIOR. ASSIGN AGE- AND ABILITY-APPROPRIATE TASKS AND PROVIDE SUPERVISION. SET CLEAR LIMITATIONS AND RULES FOR YOUR CHILDREN TO FOLLOW. THERE ARE MANY EXCELLENT RESOURCES AVAILABLE ONLINE THAT CAN HELP FARM FAMILIES STAY SAFE. PLEASE LEARN ABOUT AND IMPLEMENT PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES THAT WILL HELP PROTECT YOUR CHILDREN--AMERICA'S NEXT GENERATION OF FARMERS.