## SAFE GRILLING TIPS



Nothing says summer like a good barbeque. In fact some of the fondest summer memories are created from family get togethers around a barbeque. While these moments are fun there are still hazards that we need to focus on so that you can still create those happy family memories. Safety doesn't happen we have to create it so, safety awareness during grilling is essential to prevent accidents and protect your crew. <u>Happy grilling!</u>

## A FEW TIPS TO CONSIDER:

- Only Use Grills Outside: Propane and gas charcoal grills are strictly designed for outdoor use with proper ventilation. Avoid setting up your barbecue grill inside an open garage or under a covered balcony. <u>Combustible</u> <u>materials near the grill can catch fire easily,</u>
- Place Your Grill Away from Your Home:
   Placing your grill too close to the house or other wood structures can heat up adjacent materials and cause fires. <u>Keep your grill at least 10 feet away from your home or other structures 1</u>.
- Check for Leaks: Before using your grill, inspect the gas lines for leaks. A leak can cause propane or natural gas to build up inside the BBQ when the lid is closed. <u>Always open</u> the lid before <u>lighting the grill1</u>.

- Regular Cleaning: Grease buildup on grill
  plates and inside the grease tray can act as fuel
  and catch fire during use. <u>Clean your charcoal</u>
  or gas grill after each use with a grill brush and
  empty the grease tray when needed1.
- Never Leave the Grill Unattended: Barbecues use high heat and open flames. Never walk away from your grill while it's in use. <u>If you</u> <u>must leave</u>, <u>ask another adult to watch it for</u> <u>you1</u>.
- Level Surface: Set up your grill on a flat, stable surface (such as a concrete pad) to prevent tipping over. <u>Uneven surfaces can lead to accidents and fires1</u>.
- Wear Appropriate Clothing: Avoid clothing with long sleeves or dangling pieces that can catch fire near an open flame. <u>Dress appropriately for safe grilling1</u>.

