



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT  
FOR HEALTHY LIVING  
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

# GET READY. STAY READY.

## Emergency Tip of the Month

It's very easy to forget that some things you use every day can be dangerous to the children in your care. Earlier this week, a 3-year-old child from Oceanside died from swallowing a push pin.

Please do not use items at your program that can pose choking hazards, such as:

- push pins
- thumb tacks
- hooks
- even sticky tacky adhesive.



Other creative alternatives to push pins include: hanging a frame for each child on the wall permanently and only change the art, or glue clothespins to a bulletin board.

For more information on safety and preparedness, contact the YMCA Childcare Resource Service at 1.800.481.2151.