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Just like kids, child safety seats come in all shapes and sizes. And the right size car seat, properly used and installed, can save your child's life.

If you have questions about your child's car seat, the *Automotive Safety Program* can help. Turn this card over to learn more.



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Did you know that as many as nine out of ten car seats are not used or installed correctly?

That's right! Most car seats have at least one misuse, and misuse can endanger your child's life.

Are you using your child's car seat correctly?



Correctly used infant only seat.



Correctly used convertible seat.

The *Automotive Safety Program* sponsors free car seat inspection stations throughout Indiana where certified car seat technicians will make sure you have the car seat that fits your child best and fits in your vehicle properly.

To locate the inspection station nearest you, call the *Automotive Safety Program* today!

1-800-KID-N-CAR
(1-800-543-6227)

or visit our website at

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Never place a rear facing car seat in front of an airbag. And remember, the safest place for all children is in the back seat.



Correctly used belt-positioning booster.

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• Guidelines for proper car seat fit •

Rear facing infant only seat	Birth until approximately 20 to 22 pounds. (May need to move infant to rear facing convertible seat so can rear face until at least one year of age and at least 20 pounds.)
Rear facing/forward facing Convertible seat	Rear facing until approximately 22 to 35 pounds. (Select seats with higher rear facing weight limits to allow children to rear face as long as possible, until they reach the maximum weight or height allowed by the manufacturers.) Forward facing from at least one year of age and 20 to 40 pounds.
Forward facing only seat (with harness)	At least one year of age and 20 to 40 pounds. Some seats go to higher weights.
Belt-positioning booster seat	Over 40 pounds; approximately 4 to 8 years of age. Must use with vehicle lap/shoulder belt.
Vehicle lap/shoulder belt	Not until approximately 4'9" tall and 80 pounds (around 8 to 10 years of age).

Make sure you always read your car seat and vehicle manufacturer's instructions for further recommendations.