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Rules for Everyone

Communication

Communicate clear rules and expectations about privacy & appropriate sexual behavior to all your family members. All children and adults in the home should be included in a discussion of the privacy rules and have a NO SECRETS Motto.

All Adults Aware

An adult who is aware should remain in charge of all the children.

Modesty

All should demonstrate modesty in the child's presence. No nudity, partial nudity, sexual jokes or explicit sexual behaviour in front of others - "that is private".

Love & Support

Physical affection between an adult and a child is not sexual. It is warm, comforting and fun. It is appropriate, for adults to show affection (such as holding hands, kissing, and hugging) to each other and the children.

Firm & Clear About Body Rules

Be firm and clear, but gentle about the fact that everyone follows the private part touching rules, and be clear if the kind of touch they are doing is not ok.

Reinforce Privacy

Caregivers should insist on privacy in the bedrooms and bathrooms. Families need to have clear rules in place about entering bedrooms (such as always knocking before entering).