MCHD HEALTH BLOG

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OHIO BUCKLES BUCKEYES PROGRAM

One of the leading causes of death among children in the United States is motor vehicle injuries. When children are buckled in age and size appropriate car seats and booster seats, serious and fatal injuries are greatly reduced.

Did you know that the Ohio Buckles Buckeyes Program (OBB) gives free car seats to eligible families throughout Ohio? The Morgan County Health Department (MCHD) oversees the OBB Program for eligible families in Morgan County. Our goals for this program are to increase the availability of car seats for families who could not otherwise afford them and to increase the proper set-up and use of car seats.

To participate in the OBB program at MCHD, you must:

- Be a resident of Morgan County
- Have custody of a child between birth-8 years old, or be in the 8th month of your pregnancy
- Provide proof of eligibility for WIC or Medicaid
- Have access to a smart device with internet connection
- Be able to pick up the car seat at the MCHD

To register for the free OBB Virtual Car Seat Class, call MCHD at 740-962-4572. If you prefer to take an in-person class, please call our office to ask about upcoming classes in our community. More information on this free program can be found at https://morganpublichealth.org/car-seat-program/.