If you have questions about nicotine, please don’t wait for symptoms to appear! Call 1-800-222-1222.

Specially Trained pharmacists and nurses are available 24/7 to assist you with your emergency and answer your questions!

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**FACT SHEET**

**Nicotine Poisoning Symptoms**

Nicotine is found in cigars, cigarettes, cigarette butts, chewing tobacco, nicotine patches, nicotine gum and vaping products.

Biting into one nicotine patch; eating one cigarette or three or more cigarette butts; or one pinch of snuff is considered poisonous in a child. Even though nicotine gum contains 2 to 4 mg of nicotine per piece, nicotine intoxication from gum is uncommon.

**Nicotine exposure**

Symptoms begin within 30 to 90 minutes. If the nicotine is in liquid form, symptoms may appear in as little as 15 to 30 minutes.

Symptoms of nicotine poisoning include:
- Dizziness
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Stomach pain
- Weakness
- Increased drooling

In addition, symptoms that may be seen with more serious nicotine poisoning include:
- Seizures
- Coma
- Irregular heartbeat
- Abnormal blood pressure

**Nicotine poisoning**

Do not wait for symptoms to appear, do not make the person throw up or vomit, and do not give the person anything to eat or drink. If nicotine liquid is spilled on the skin, wash the area immediately with soap and water. Call the Oklahoma Center for Poison and Drug Information right away.

If you have questions about nicotine poisoning, or nicotine exposure from vaping or electronic products don’t wait for the person to look or act sick, call 1-800-222-1222.