

INJURIES IN GREY BRUCE: UNINTENTIONAL POISONING



Unintentional poisoning injuries result from exposure to a noxious substance (e.g. drug, chemical, gas). On average, unintentional poisonings cause **427** emergency department visits, **27** hospitalizations, and **8** deaths every year in Grey Bruce.

GREY BRUCE ED VISIT RATE HIGHER THAN ONTARIO RATE

The local rate of emergency department (ED) visits for unintentional poisonings is **68%** higher than the Ontario rate.

EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT VISITS



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Grey Bruce

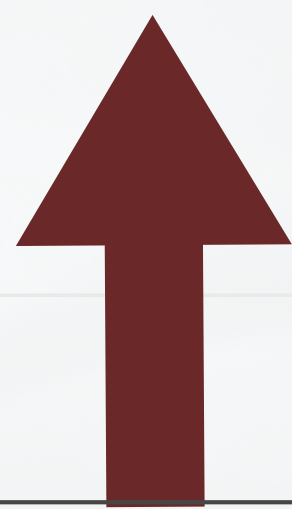


YOUTH AT HIGHEST RISK

Grey Bruce youth and young adults aged 15 to 24 are at highest risk of unintentional poisoning injuries.

LOCAL ED VISIT RATE HAS INCREASED

The local rate of ED visits for unintentional poisonings has increased by **12%** since 2003-04.



12%
increase in
ED visit rate

SOURCES:
Ambulatory Visits 2003–2016, Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-term Care, IntelliHEALTH Ontario, Date Extracted: November 26, 2018.
Ontario Mortality Data 2003-2015, Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-term Care, IntelliHEALTH Ontario, Date Extracted: February 5, 2019.

DATA NOTES: Rates refer to age-standardized rates. Averages refer to ten-year averages between 2007-2016 for ED visits and hospitalizations, and between 2006-2015 for deaths.