



Children and ATVs

THE ABCS

OF SAFETY

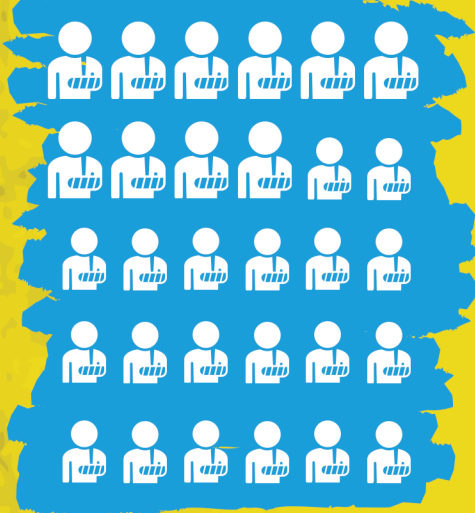
While ATVs are useful and fun for off-road use, they are not toys. With children's safety in mind, Maria Fareri Children's Hospital, a Member of the Westchester Medical Center Health Network and the children's hospital for the Hudson Valley shares these startling facts and important safety tips.

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THE FACTS

30 The number of children admitted to Maria Fareri Children's Hospital for ATV-related injuries for the past three years.

20 of those patients were under the age of 14.



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THE RISKS

Of the 13 patients admitted to Maria Fareri Children's Hospital in 2015 due to ATV-related injuries, nine received care in the pediatric ICU. Of those nine ICU patients, three were under the age of 9.



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SAFETY TIPS

-  Always wear a helmet, eye protection and protective gear (boots, gloves, long pants and jacket).
- Only ride a vehicle that is appropriate for your size.
-  Never ride on public roads.
- Don't allow any passengers on a single-rider ATV.
- Only ride on designated trails at a safe speed.
-  Do not ride an ATV at night.
- Take an ATV safety course.

Check www.dmv.ny.gov to find an ATV safety course near you.

