# **HEAT EXHAUSTION or HEAT STROKE**

### Did You Know?

- A child's body heats up three to five times faster than an adult's body?
- Heatstroke deaths have been recorded in 11 months of the year in nearly all 50 states?
- More than half of heatstroke deaths occurred when a distracted caregiver forgot a quiet child was in the vehicle?

### Signs & Symptoms...

#### Heat Exhaustion:

- Headache
- Increased sweating
- Cool, clammy skin
- Fever (less than 105°F)
- Increased thirst
- Weakness
- Fainting
- Muscle cramps
- Nausea and vomiting
- Irritability

#### Heat Stroke:

- Severe headache
- May not be sweating
- Flushed, hot, dry skin
- Fever of 105°F or higher
- Confusion
- Weakness and/or dizziness
- Loss of consciousness
- Rapid breathing
- Rapid heartbeat
- Seizures

### What should you do?

Seek emergency medical care immediately....Call 911

## Better yet....*teach your kids* to:

- Drink lots of fluids!
- Wear light colored loose clothing!
- Avoid heavy activity during hottest times of day!
- Find help if not feeling well or overheated!

A Safety Message from Medina County Safe Communities.