APPENDIX: Additional Resources

TOXICOLOGY ORGANIZATIONS:

American Academy of Clinical Toxicology
http://www.clintox.org

AACT membership includes primarily medical and clinical toxicologists. It hosts the annual North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology (a joint meeting of several toxicology organizations); publishes the journal *Clinical Toxicology*; sponsors several toxicology-related special interest groups; encourages and sponsors research; develops and publishes position papers; and is the parent organization of the American Board of Applied Toxicology.

American Association of Poison Control Centers
http://www.aapcc.org

AAPCC membership is comprised primarily of poison centers, poison center staff members, and others interested in toxicology. It produces and publishes the National Poison Data System; co-sponsors the North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology; holds additional working meetings for poison center administrative and education staff; co-sponsors *Clinical Toxicology*; accredits U.S. poison centers; and certifies Specialists in Poison Information.

American Board of Applied Toxicology
http://www.abatox.org/

ABAT members are board-certified clinical toxicologists, primarily though not exclusively pharmacists and nurses. It offers board-certification for clinical toxicologists; organizes scientific symposia at the North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology; and publishes a list of toxicology fellowship programs for pharmacists.

American College of Medical Toxicology
http://www.acmt.net/

ACTM membership includes physicians who are board-certified in medical toxicology. It co-sponsors the North American College of Clinical Toxicology, publishes the *Journal of Toxicology*, and sponsors and hosts educational offerings.

US GOVERNMENT AGENCIES:

Centers for Disease Control & Prevention
http://www.cdc.gov/HomeandRecreationalSafety/Poisoning/index.html

CDC's National Center for Injury Prevention offers information about poisonous substances; poison prevention information; and data about injuries and deaths associated with poisoning.

Consumer Product Safety Commission
http://cpsc.gov/
CPSC administers the Poison Prevention Packaging Act, including regulations affecting pharmacy practice. Its website offers poison prevention information and data from the National Electronic Injury Surveillance System.

**Drug Enforcement Administration**  

The DEA website includes information about drugs of abuse and diversion of prescription drugs.

**Environmental Protection Agency**  
[http://www.epa.gov/](http://www.epa.gov/)

The EPA website includes information about pesticides and pesticide poisoning; preventing pesticide poisoning in children; and data about pesticide poisonings. Of interest is that, under the law, disinfectants are considered pesticides, so EPA information includes a number of household products. Lead poisoning, mercury poisoning (including mercury thermometer issues), and other environmental poisons are included in EPA activities.

**Food and Drug Administration**  
[http://www.fda.gov/](http://www.fda.gov/)

In addition to FDA's detailed information about pharmaceuticals, the FDA Medwatch program offers information about adverse effects of drugs.

**Health Resources and Services Administration**  

HRSAs Poison Control Program ([http://poisonhelp.hrsa.gov/](http://poisonhelp.hrsa.gov/)) administers federal funding to poison centers; operates the nationwide toll-free number for poison emergencies; and provides many on-line and downloadable resources for poison prevention and poison prevention education.

**National Institute on Drug Abuse**  

NIDA offers research findings and prevention information about illegal drugs of abuse, inhalants, and abuse of legal pharmaceuticals.

**Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration**  

The SAMHSA website offers prevention and treatment information about several types of substance abuse, including legal and illegal drugs and alcohol. It also offers suicide prevention information.

**NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS:**
Home Safety Council
http://www.homesafetycouncil.org

The HSC website offers research-based data about injuries, including poisoning at home; poison prevention materials; and materials specifically developed to teach poison prevention to adults with low literacy.

National Inhalant Prevention Coalition
http://www.homesafetycouncil.org

The NIPC website offers information for parents and children about the dangers of inhalant abuse. It also provides guidelines for emergency personnel who encounter patients who have abused inhalants.

Poison Prevention Week Council
http://poisonprevention.org/

National Poison Prevention Week is observed every year during the third full week in May. The Poison Prevention Week Council website offers a list of materials that can be ordered from several organizations and guidelines for the annual poster contest.

Partnership for a Drug Free America
http://www.drugfree.org/

The Partnership website offers resources for parents and children about several types of substance abuse and substance abuse prevention, including abuse of prescription drugs, illegal drugs, inhalants, and alcohol.

TOXICOLOGY TEXTS:


