ECHO Minnesota



Emergency, Community and Health Outreach

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CO/Smoke Alarm PSA

Video Instructions

(use only for TV PSA)

English and Spanish

[1-2]

[video –shots of home and/or family]

- [3] [shot of smoke alarm]
- [4] [shot of CO alarm]
- [5] [people getting out of house]
- [6] [person checking alarm]
- [7] [ECHO logo]

Script Text

[Note to reader: Be sure to read the website names slowly and clearly.]

- 1] Is your home as safe as it can be?
- 2] There are two simple devices for your home that could one day save *your* life, or the life of someone in your family.
- 3] One is a smoke alarm,
- 4] The other is a carbon monoxide alarm.
- 5] Both these alarms can warn you when you need to get out of your house—before it's too late.
- 6] Make sure you have working smoke and carbon monoxide alarms throughout your home—they're lifesavers.
- 7] For more information, go to www.echominnesota.org.

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Somali, Hmong

[1]

[video –shots of home and/or family]

[2a] [shot of smoke alarm]

[2b] [shot of CO alarm]

[3] [people getting out of house]

[4] [person checking alarm]

Script Text

[Note to reader: Be sure to read the website names slowly and clearly.]

- 1] Did you know there are two simple devices for your home that could one day save *your* life, or the life of someone in your family?
- 2] A smoke alarm, and a carbon monoxide alarm.
- 3] Make sure you have working smoke and carbon monoxide alarms throughout your home—their loud warning sounds could save your life.
- 4] For more information, go to www.echominnesota.org.