HOW TO PREVENT DRIVING BACKCOVERS IN A FEW EASY STEPS

Every week, New York children are run over in a driveway or parking lot. Please remember to take a few simple steps before you back up.

**PREVENTION STEPS:**
- Before driving, check the street, driveway and area around your vehicle
- Drivers of SUVs and trucks should be extra careful
- Children should be taught not to play in, under or around vehicles
- Supervise children when a driver is leaving the home
- Whenever possible, use current technology such as backup cameras and sensor devices

- Adjust driver's seat as high as needed to see clearly out of rear window.
- Roll down windows to hear children
- Adjust side and rear mirrors to reduce blind zone

**MAJOR RISK FACTORS:**
- Children under 5 years of age
- High profile vehicles such as SUVs, vans and trucks
- Vehicles travelling in reverse
- Rushed and distracted drivers

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