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Child Passenger Safety Week is Sept. 18-24

Brea, Calif. – We are here to offer parents and caregivers guidance and reassurances that their child is as safe in a car seat as possible while riding in the car.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), nearly half of car seats (46%) are misused.

California law requires all children under 2 years old to ride in a rear-facing car seat, unless the child is 40 or more pounds or is 40 or more inches tall. Parents are encouraged to keep your child in rear- and forward-facing seats as long as possible. Children 8 and older, who are at least 4 feet, 9 inches in height, may ride in the back seat of a vehicle in a properly fitted safety belt.

To search for car seat programs in your county, visit the [OTS website](#). You may also contact your [local CHP Area Office](#) to schedule a free child safety seat inspection.

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