# The Right Seat

# Fits the Child • Fits the Vehicle • Is Used Correctly on Every Trip

#### Rear Facing Infant and Convertible Seats

- Never in front of an airbag
- Rear facing to upper weight or height limit
- Harness snug at or below shoulders
- Chest clip at armpit level
- Attach to car with seat belt or lower anchors
- Add nothing to or behind harness
- Rear facing 5 times safer between ages 1 and 2 years



### Forward Facing Seats

- Up to 40-65 or 80 pounds
- Lower anchors to 40-48 pounds
- Harness snug at or above shoulders
- Chest clip at armpit level
- Attach to car with top tether strap and seat belt or lower anchors
- Use a 5-point harness to upper weight or height limit of seat

#### Booster Seats

- Until 4' 9" and 8 -12 years
- Always use lap/shoulder seat belt
- Never put shoulder belt behind back or under arm
- Use highback booster for vehicle seat without headrest

### Adult-Size Seat Belts

- Back straight against vehicle seat, and knees bent at seat edge
- Shoulder belt across chest, not neck or throat
- Lap belt low and snug across upper thighs, not stomach
- Children younger than 13 should always ride in the back seat









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