Happy Holidays from the Northern New England Poison Center

Call us 24 hours a day at 1-800-222-1222, chat with us online at www.nnepc.org, or text the word POISON to 85511
Puzzle Clues

Across

5. Meet me under the _____! This plant with white berries is actually a parasite that grows on trees. Eating enough of it can cause a lot of stomach upset.

9. You can chat with a nurse or a pharmacist on our website: ______.org

13. You should have at least one carbon monoxide detector in every _____ area of your home, and at least one on every floor

15. The poison center is staffed 24/7 with specially trained nurses and _____

16. This type of vintage holiday light contains a chemical called methylene chloride, which turns into carbon monoxide if ingested

18. Mistaking the bulb of this plant for an onion can cause abdominal pain, vomiting and diarrhea

20. Deck the halls! This berry can cause upset stomach or sleepiness if enough is ingested

21. Hold the eggnog! Alcohol can be dangerous for children and pets because it can lower the blood _____

Down

1. Text the word _____ to 85511, to speak with a nurse or a pharmacist by text

2. Carbon monoxide is colorless, _____, and deadly

3. This decorative plant with large red berries is considered poisonous, and contains a chemical called solanine which is also found in potatoes, tomatoes, and nightshade
Down, continued

4. This silver colored tree decoration can be a choking hazard to pets or children

6. Don’t leave your holiday dinner leftovers on the counter more than _____ hours to avoid food poisoning

7. Generators need to be set up at least _____ feet away from your house, and your neighbor’s house to avoid exposure to carbon monoxide

8. Always defrost your turkey in the _____

10. This cactus, which blooms in December, is not poisonous

11. This popular holiday plant isn’t actually poisonous, unless you are a cat

12. This silver colored tree decoration may be a choking risk for children and pets

14. Oh no, the powers out! Most food will only last about _____ hours, if you keep the refrigerator door shut

17. Your carbon monoxide detector should have a _____ backup, in case you lose power

19. Antique tree ornaments or toys may contain this metal, which can affect brain development in small children

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Answer Key

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