

HOW PARENTS ENABLE CHILDREN TO USE ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS

- ❖ **BY NOT INSISTING** that parties are supervised.
- ❖ **BY NOT SETTING LIMITS** and enforcing those limits.
- ❖ **BY BEING UNAWARE** of where their children are.
- ❖ **BY OFFERING ALCOHOL** to their own and other youngsters. This ranges from one glass of wine at dinner to supplying alcohol at a graduation or other party.
- ❖ **BY HOSTING A PARTY WHERE ALCOHOL OR OTHER DRUGS ARE BEING USED** with the rationalization that “I’d rather have them here drinking than somewhere else,” OR “I’ll take their keys so they can’t drive after drinking.”
- ❖ **BY IGNORING THE EVIDENCE** that may be left in the child’s room or car, or in a house following a party.
- ❖ **BY LEAVING YOUNGSTERS UNATTENDED** for a week or weekend.

