

A recent article in a newsletter that I subscribe to brought to my attention something I think all parents with children under the age of 5 need to be aware of: Turtles. Turtles can cause outbreaks of Salmonella poisoning. Besides avoiding having a pet turtle in a house with a child under 5 years of age, other recommendations include: do not allow turtles to roam in living and food preparation areas, do not use kitchen sinks to bathe turtles, and do not use kitchen sinks to wash their dishes, cages, or aquariums. For more information, please go to the following website: [http://www.cdc.gov/healthypets/spotlight an turtles.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/healthypets/spotlight%20an%20turtles.htm).

Thanks! Randi