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When a child or dependent is prone to wandering or elopement, home security is essential. Many caregivers use a combination of simple and affordable tools, often available from major retailers to help create a more secure environment.

Some families report success using keypad locks installed on the interior side of exterior doors to prevent their loved one from leaving the home overnight. However, it's important to carefully consider both the benefits and the potential risks of this approach. Fire safety, emergency evacuation, and overall household safety must always be part of the planning process in addition to wandering prevention.



Door/Window Alarms



Smart Locks with Text Notifications

"I was awakened at 2 o'clock in the morning by a text notification that our front door had been opened. I went to the door and saw my autistic son standing in the middle of the road."

Common tools to improve home safety and supervision include:



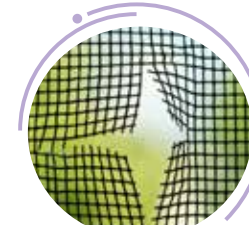
Self-Latching Gate



Pool Gate Sensor



Audio/Video Baby Monitors



Address Breaches

- **Door & window alarms:** Beeps if exits are opened unexpectedly
- **Home security systems:** Smart locks, cameras, and real-time notifications
- **Fencing with self-latching gates:** Adds a secure physical boundary
- **Baby monitors:** Helps track location and activity indoors
- **Addressing security breaches:** Check for screen tears, service workers going in/out, garage or pet doors breaches, and fence wear to reduce risk.

By thoughtfully combining these strategies, families can create a safer, more responsive environment that reduces wandering risks.