



## Safer CA Conference 2024

to Develop

### **A Statewide Unintentional Injury Prevention Action Plan**

Planned by the Safer CA 2024 Planning Team

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CA Coalition for Children's Safety and Health

*Hosted by Shriners Children's Hospital in Sacramento*

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### Agenda

#### **Step 1 – (Thursday late morning)**

**A) Presentation on Unintentional Injury Data** by **Orion Stewart**, Chief, CA Department of Public Health Unintentional Injury Prevention Data Unit, EPICenter.

The participants engaged in Safer CA 2024 will use the data information provided to help guide their work to:

- ▶ Create a priority list of unintentional injury issues and causes that need to be in a Safer CA Unintentional Injury Action Plan Report guiding the injury prevention community – at the local and state levels – in taking action to increase and elevate successful prevention.
- ▶ Have increased knowledge about where injury data lives in CA and other sources, what current data is telling us about the burden of unintentional injury, and data challenges and solutions to address in the action plan.

**B) Presentation on Equity** by **Sadiqa Kendra**, MD, MPH, CPST of Safe Kids Worldwide – What equity means and how to apply the concept of equity in the development of the action plan to increase successful injury prevention.

Once the data and equity presentations are completed, we will have a work session discussing the data, asking for others in the room to add their data, data sources, and data challenges and solutions.

#### **Step 2 – (Thursday 12:30pm to 1:30pm)** Working lunch and Safer CA 2024 participant **self introductions**.

**Step 3 – (Thursday 1:30pm to 6:30pm)** Working with the guidance of a facilitator the Safer CA participants will work in plenary session – using small, large, and whole group work methods to develop the framework of the Safer CA 2024 injury action plan: [Note - Some injury prevention guests may join in the discussions at various times during the afternoon by Zoom, entering the room via the large screen. The Zoom invited participants will be able to interact with the Safer CA participants in the room and visa-versa.]

Create a list of priority unintentional injury causes and issues having the most impact on California's children and youth through age 20.

Once the list has been agreed to the next work on day one will be:

1. For each cause on the list identify what needs to happen. To advance prevention on the issue or cause identify if the action needed is a policy issue, program changes or program expansion, increased resources, and if this is focused on local or state level action.
2. Create deadlines or timeline recommendations for accomplishing the actions identified.

3. Identify who is already leading or needs to lead or be involved in the action. If there are no leaders in place who could or should lead the action.
4. Identify how will the action success or progress be measured, including what is the outcome of the action and the measurable metrics for tracking progress or success. What are the data sources in place or that need to be identified or created to track the issue.

**Step 4 – (Friday morning 9:30am to 12:30pm)** Refining and completing Step 3 work not completed on Day 1, and further refining action planning for each injury issue on the priority list. At 12:30pm Friday most participants will leave to go back home.

**Step 5 – (Friday afternoon 12:30pm to 4:30pm)** A small group of participant volunteers will stay charged with pulling together the work outcome notes from day 1 and morning of day 2, developing the framework for the action plan report.

**What are the likely unintentional injury issues we know the participants will be focused on** – The data presentation is not being provided as a scientific research paper presentation on the data but a high level presentation of existing data, and an expert’s observations as to unintentional injury data sources and challenges setting the stage for the work to be accomplished during the two days of the Safer CA 2024 action planning. The purpose of the data presentation is to help craft a Safer California Unintentional Injury Prevention Action Plan Report: Examples of unintentional injury issues likely to be addressed during Safer CA 2024.

- **Traffic related** – Vehicle crashes, bicycle, pedestrian, scooter, and e-bicycle/scooters crashes, teen driver safety, child passenger safety, distracted driving, DUI, speed. There is also national crash data showing that for young child crash fatalities, 65%+ drivers of the vehicles the child was in were driven by a DUI driver.
- **Drowning** – Age range deaths and hospitalizations differ for various age groups – public pools, residential pools, tubs, and open bodies of water (lakes, rivers, ocean, canals).
- **Poisoning** – Age range and types of poisoning – misuse and inappropriate access to prescription meds, street drugs and alcohol.
- **Suffocation** – Primarily focused on infant sleep suffocations, but also ingestion of small objects.
- **Falls** – In home (stairs, furniture) multistory residential building young child window falls.
- **Playground safety** – Falls and strangulations.
- **Burns** – House fires, water temperature scalding, kitchen incidents, chemical, and electrical incidents.
- **Sports related** – Concussions, heat stroke, cardiac arrest (typically undiagnosed heart conditions and anomalies), and spinal injuries.
- **Non-traffic vehicle related** such as kids left in hot cars, driveway/parking lot backovers and frontovers, and parked car entrapments.
- **Unintentional firearm** – Access to firearms leading to unintentional shooting deaths and injuries.
- **Mental health crisis** – Unintentional self harm deaths or hospitalizations. Suicide is considered intentional injury, but this is a gray area with some teen deaths or grave injury on the side of the fence of self-harm unintended to die.
- **Data sources** and how they intersect or not with EPICenter – FARS, SWITRS, IIHS, CDC WISQARS, CEMIS, NHTSA, AHAS, local hospital shared non-HIPAA data, HIPAA and other data challenges and need for policy, resources, program expansion, etc.

**Post conference activities:** Once the draft action plan report draft is created by November 29, 2024, it will be taken out on the road by Zoom statewide and in-person regional and local meetings between December 2024 through March 2025. The purpose of taking the action plan report on the road is to gain more action plan refinement input, increase prevention community networking, and buy in.