

Special Issue on International Injury Prevention

Call for Papers

Childhood injuries continue to be a growing public health problem worldwide. From the age of one to early adulthood, injuries are the leading cause of morbidity and mortality internationally. In fact, nearly 950 000 children, under eighteen years of age, die each year, with 90% resulting from an unintentional mechanism (WHO Global Burden of Disease: 2004 update). Besides fatalities, tens of millions of children require hospitalization each year for nonfatal injuries. In 2008, WHO and UNICEF published the World Report on Child Injury Prevention in order to complement the UN Secretary-General's study on violence against children released in 2006. Both reports suggest that child injury and violence prevention programs need to be integrated into broad strategies focused on improving the lives of children. Within the World Report, road traffic injuries or fatal/nonfatal injuries incurred as a result of a road traffic crash, prevailed as the most common mechanism of unintentional injury to children.

The main focus of this special issue will be on injury prevention efforts concentrating on road traffic or violence-related injuries to children worldwide. The special issue will become an international forum for researchers to summarize the most recent developments and ideas surrounding these two mechanisms of injury, with a special emphasis on, but not limited to, interventions in lower socioeconomic areas.

The topics to be covered include, but are not limited to:

- Child passenger safety
- Teen driving
- Seat belt usage
- Mapping of injuries
- Teen Violence
- Bullying
- Interpersonal violence
- Posttraumatic stress after witnessing violence
- The effects of war on children
- Suicide in children
- Homicide in youth
- Child abuse

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