



# ATV Safety Programs: Best Practices

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## Selected\* Youth Program Descriptions

<b>Specialty Vehicle Institute of America (SVIA)</b> ATV Safety Institute Phone: 949-727-3727 or 800-887-2887 Fax: 714-727-4216 <a href="http://www.atvsafety.org">www.atvsafety.org</a>	The ATV Safety Institute (ASI) is a non-profit division of the Specialty Vehicle Institute of America. The ASI represents ATV manufacturers and distributors. The primary goal of the ASI is to promote the safe and responsible use of ATVs. ASI collaborates with many states and youth-serving organizations to promote legislation and safe practices. ASI also offers employee training to companies that utilize ATVs. Some manufacturers cover cost of training to owners of newly purchased machines. ASI offers an ATV Rider Course on safe practices. To enroll call the ATV Enrollment Express at 1-800-887-2887 or online at <a href="http://home.att.net/~atvsafety">http://home.att.net/~atvsafety</a> .
<b>ATV Study Group</b> Contact: L. R. "Tres" Scherer, III, M.D. Phone: 317-274-5437 Fax: 317-278-9146 <a href="mailto:lscherer@iupui.edu">lscherer@iupui.edu</a>	The goals of this regional study group are to decrease the use of ATVs by youth under 16 years and to promote ATV safety in the Midwest. Representatives of states participating in the study group meet to explore education and legislative issues of ATV-related childhood injuries.
<b>Center for Rural Emergency Medicine (CREM)</b> West Virginia University Phone: (304) 293-6682 <a href="http://www.hsc.wvu.edu/som/crem/outr each.htm">www.hsc.wvu.edu/som/crem/outr each.htm</a>	CREM maintains a comprehensive emergency department-based injury surveillance system of injury and ATV-related deaths and mechanism of injury. CREM data are being used to monitor ATV-specific objectives in West Virginia's <i>Healthy People 2010 Plan</i> and to educate state lawmakers.
<b>4-H Community All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) Safety Program</b> <a href="mailto:atvsafety@fourhcouncil.edu">atvsafety@fourhcouncil.edu</a> <a href="http://www.atv-youth.org">www.atv-youth.org</a> .	The 4-H Community ATV Safety Program offers resources and training to aid communities and local 4-H groups to address ATV safety issues and develop local safety initiatives. The National 4-H Council recently pilot-tested new materials.
<b>Maine Injury Prevention Program</b> (Governor's Task Force) Contact: Roberta Scruggs <a href="mailto:rscruggs@megalink.net">rscruggs@megalink.net</a>	The staff of the Maine Injury Prevention Program (MIPP) in the Maine Department of Health provided ATV-related injury data to the Governor's Task Force. The data were instrumental in legislative recommendations and is available at <a href="http://www.maine.gov/ifw/aboutus/atvtaskforce.htm">www.maine.gov/ifw/aboutus/atvtaskforce.htm</a> .

\*The Children's Safety Network does not endorse nor recommend particular safety initiatives. The selected initiatives describe strategies to promote safe ATV practices and minimize risk. The effectiveness of preventing injury with youth ATV safety initiatives is unknown. Programs should be evaluated to document their impact in promoting safe behaviors and reducing injury.

☒ This document can be downloaded from the Internet, [www.childrensafetynetwork.org](http://www.childrensafetynetwork.org).

ATV safety materials also available are: Safe ATV Operation: Frequently Asked Questions, ATV Safety Promoting Organizations, and ATV Safety Fact Sheet.

**For more information:**

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