



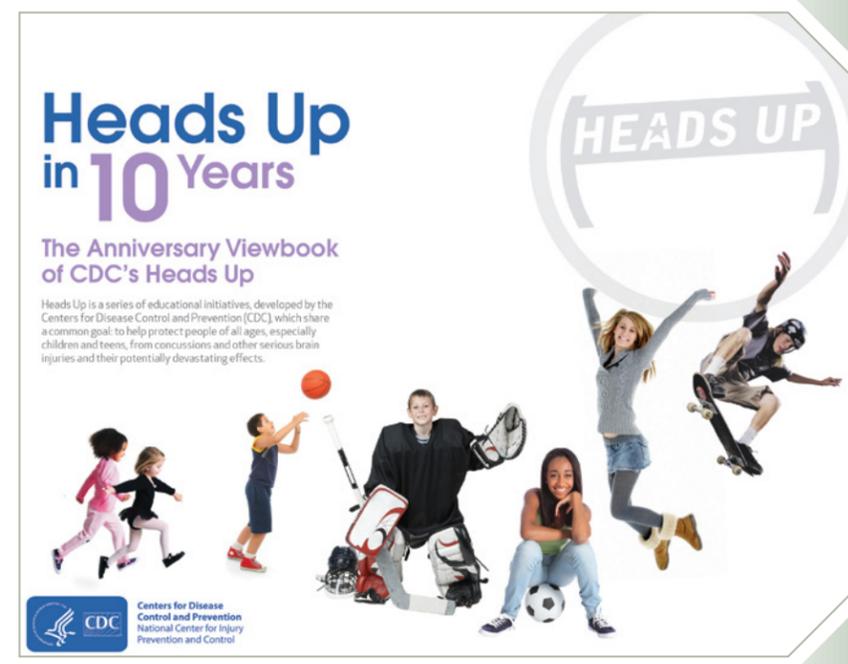
# Injury Prevention and Control

**CDC applies the same real-world, science-based approach to reducing threats from injuries and violence as it does to preventing infectious and chronic diseases. We provide timely, accurate information and useful tools to keep people healthy, safe, and secure where they live, play, and learn. Our research and programs help states and communities develop the best ways to prevent injuries and violence.**



## Key Accomplishments 2015

- Published new findings on the significant economic impact of injury and violence: in the U.S., nonfatal injuries cost \$457 billion and fatal injuries cost \$214 billion annually.
- Launched a "Prescription Drug Overdose: Prevention for States" program in 16 states to strengthen their prescription drug monitoring programs, improve opioid prescribing through health systems and insurer innovations, implement effective prevention in the hardest-hit communities, and identify emerging drug overdose issues. The President's Budget for 2016 included a request for resources to expand CDC's efforts to all 50 states.
- Developed the manual, *Increasing Alcohol Ignition Interlock Use: Successful Practices for States*, to help states implement the eight key features of Alcohol Ignition Interlock Programs.
- Worked with 10 countries to conduct surveys that measure the burden of violence against children. Findings show that global rates of violence against children are high and few victims receive the help they need.
- Developed a package of state-of-the-art science to help health departments, policy makers, and other partners prevent sexual violence.



*"Heads Up" has helped to raise awareness of the need for improved prevention, recognition, and response to concussion and other serious brain injuries.*

## Heads Up Initiative Protects Public from Concussions

*Over the last 10 years, CDC's "Heads Up" Initiative has played a key role in protecting the public's health from concussions.*

*The "Heads Up" materials aim to increase the rate of concussion reporting and use of prevention strategies, help coaches properly identify and respond to a concussion, ensure healthcare providers follow return-to-school and play guidelines, increase patient follow-up, and ensure emergency department discharge guidelines are followed.*

*"Heads Up" successes to date include:*

- 215 million media impressions through print media and TV public service announcements
- 6 million print materials distributed
- 3 million coaches trained
- Improved overall knowledge of concussion among high school coaches
- Improved pediatricians' adherence to return-to-play protocols
- Increased patient follow-up and adherence to emergency department discharge recommendations.



**\$671 billion**  
Lifetime medical and work loss costs total \$671 billion for injuries and violence in the U.S.



**75%**  
Among new heroin users, approximately 75% report abusing prescription opioids prior to using heroin.



**1 in 5**  
About 1 in 5 female and 1 in 10 male high school students were victims of physical and/or sexual teen dating violence in the prior year.



**26%**  
The suicide rate for young people between the ages of 10 and 24 years increased 26% between 2007 and 2014.