

# Core State Violence and Injury Prevention Program (Core SVIPP)



## Violence and Injuries – A Significant Public Health Problem

Violence and injuries are the leading cause of death for the first four decades of life. In fact, in the first half of life, more Americans die from violence and injuries than from any other cause, including cancer, HIV, or the flu. And deaths are only part of the problem. Each year, millions of people are injured and survive. Injuries can cause life-long mental, physical, and financial problems.

Deaths and injuries from motor vehicle crashes, prescription drug overdoses, traumatic brain injuries, falls, child maltreatment, and other injuries are preventable. One of the best ways to prevent violence and injuries is to empower states to take action to protect their residents by implementing, and evaluating evidence-based injury and violence prevention (IVP) programs and policies.

## Core SVIPP – Empowering States to Save Lives

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (Injury Center) committed \$30 million to 23 state health departments over the next 5 years as part of the *Core State Violence and Injury Prevention Program (Core SVIPP- CE16-1602.)*

The program helps states implement, evaluate and disseminate strategies that address the most pressing injury and violence issues including: Child Abuse and Neglect, Traumatic Brain Injury, Motor Vehicle Crash Injury and Death, and Intimate Partner/Sexual Violence. The program builds on the infrastructure established through previous iterations of the Core VIPP (CE11-1101). The overall purpose of the Core SVIPP is to: 1) decrease injury and violence related morbidity and mortality and 2) increase sustainability of injury prevention programs and practices.



