

Oklahoma Injury Prevention Advisory Committee  
**Meeting Minutes**

May 21, 2010

**Members Present:**

Dr. Mark Brandenburg, Chair;  
Amy Buford for Marcia Smith, Oklahoma Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault;  
Martha Ferretti, OU Health Sciences Center;  
Laura Gamino, OU Medical Center Trauma Services;  
Patrice Greenawalt, Oklahoma State Department of Health, Emergency Systems Division;  
Jeff Hamilton, Interfaith Alliance Foundation of Oklahoma;  
Gayle Jones, Oklahoma State Department of Education;  
Dave Koenek, Oklahoma Safety Council;  
Jerry Lojka, Midwest City Fire Department;  
Sabrina Mackey, Oklahoma Highway Safety Office;  
Dr. Lee McGoodwin, Oklahoma Poison Control Center;  
Toni Short, Indian Health Service;  
Scott Sproat, Oklahoma State Department of Health, Emergency Preparedness & Response;  
Don Vogt, Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics  
John Wilguess, Safe Kids Oklahoma

**Guest:**

Sara Miller, Pharmacy Student, Oklahoma Poison Control Center

**Staff:**

Pam Archer, Oklahoma State Department of Health, Injury Prevention Service;  
Liz Langthorn, Oklahoma State Department of Health, Injury Prevention Service;  
Regina McCurdy, Oklahoma State Department of Health, Injury Prevention Service;  
Emily Samuel, Oklahoma State Department of Health, Injury Prevention Service

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**Welcome/Introduction**

Dr. Mark Brandenburg called the Oklahoma Injury Prevention Advisory Committee meeting to order, and members introduced themselves. Minutes from the previous meeting on January 15, 2010 were approved without changes.

**Legislative Update**

The following bills were passed and approved in the 2009-2010 legislative session. Additional information on these bills can be found on the attached 2009-2010 Legislative Session information sheet.

Abusive head trauma: HB 2920

Driving and texting/talking: HB 2276, HB 2957, SB 1908

Drug/overdose: HB 2529, HB 3380

Youth athletes: HB 1658, SB 1700

Healthy communities/schools: HB 2774

Violence/assault/abuse: HB 1022, HB 1892, HB 2313, SB 894, SB 1020, SB 1251, SB 1879, SB 2022, SB 2150, SB 2258

Motorcycles: SB 1329

**Injury Prevention Service Update**

Pam Archer reported on the following Injury Prevention Service (IPS) activities:

**IPS**

- Publications: ATV injuries, work-related TBI, scald burns, work zone injuries
- State Department of Health is focusing on occupational fatalities per Commissioner

**Staff**

- Liz Langthorn was hired as the Director of Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI); she will be working on TBI, unintentional poisoning, and older adult falls.
- Sandy VanPatten retired.

**Other**

- The county health departments will no longer charge for child safety seats; the Oklahoma Highway Safety Office has decided to condense the 4-day national certification class into a 2 ½ day certification class and is looking into creating a state child passenger safety certification that will only be recognized in Oklahoma.
- The community of Shawnee, Oklahoma is now recognized as a Safe Community. The community's designation ceremony took place on April 17, 2010. In addition, the Pottawatomie County Health Department was awarded County Health Department of the Year by the State Department of Health.

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**Falls Among Older Adults**

Liz Langthorn gave a brief presentation on fall-related injuries in Oklahoma and evidence-based programs to reduce falls among older adults.

**Spring Symposium**

Emily Samuel provided information on the upcoming symposium. The Older Adult Fall Prevention Symposium will be held on Tuesday, June 22, 2010. Speakers will include: Dr. Keith Swanson, Dr. Carolyn Craven, Michelle Green-Gilbert and Liz Langthorn. Topics of discussion will include fall-related injuries in Oklahoma, evidence-based programs, and how exercise, medication, and other health conditions affect the risk of falling. Additional details will be sent to members by email.

**Announcements**

- Memorial Day weekend: "Helmets and Heroes" – Oklahoma City law enforcement will be handing out reward "tickets" in the OKC Metro area to those who wear helmets while riding bicycles. Contact Laura Gamino for more information.
- June 2010: National Safety Council Conference; contact Dave Koeneke for more information.
- July 2010: Crystal Darkness Campaign follow up; contact Gayle Jones for more information.
- August 2010: Suicide Prevention Conference; contact Ms. Jones for more information.
- September 2010: Bicycle Rodeo at the Redhawks game; contact Ms. Gamino for more information.
- Title IV funding ends September 30, 2010.

**Upcoming Injury Prevention Advisory Committee Meetings**

- TBA

**Adjourn**

The Oklahoma Injury Prevention Advisory Committee was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.