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***E-UPDATE FROM CSSRC*** ~ You are receiving this email as a subscriber of the Colorado School Safety Resource Center's (CSSRC) listserv. E-Updates from the CSSRC will contain the most current information about the Center's activities and resources, as well as other school safety efforts throughout the state of Colorado and relevant national resources. **Please forward this to others on your email list that have an interest in supporting safe and positive schools in Colorado. They may register for this listserv on our website [www.Colorado.gov/SchoolSafetyResourceCenter](http://www.Colorado.gov/SchoolSafetyResourceCenter) or [www.Colorado.gov/CSSRC](http://www.Colorado.gov/CSSRC).**

## **THE DIRECTOR'S CORNER**

Greetings:

**Changes at CDPS:** The Colorado Department of Public Safety is pleased to be welcoming our new Executive Director, Stan Hilkey, appointed by Governor Hickenlooper on May 8. Director Hilkey is currently the sheriff in Mesa County and will bring to his new job more than 28 years of public safety experience in the criminal justice system involving areas such as patrol operations, investigations and critical incident management. The Center and the rest of the Department will welcome Director Hilkey to CDPS on June 16.

**U.S. Department of Education, School Safety Convening.** On May 12, 2014, thirty-two school safety directors, chiefs and security personnel were invited to Washington D.C. to discuss school safety, security and emergency management. Discussions centered on emergency operations planning, available federal resources, a sharing of promising practices and a discussion on "Run, Hide, Fight." As you will see further in this newsletter, more grant funding is being made available for LEAs for safety related initiatives.

"Run, Hide, Fight" discussions on May 12<sup>th</sup> focused on the necessity to allow school personnel to make decisions when face-to-face with an armed intruder but also the complications of asking untrained personnel to respond aggressively as well as possible conflicting messages with lockdown procedures which have been life-saving. We expect further discussions on this complex topic.

**Colorado Safe Schools Month, Senate Joint Resolution 14-031:** We are pleased to announce that the Colorado General Assembly of 2014 has declared October as **Safe Schools Month**. The resolution and a further explanation follow. Please watch for more information on how to celebrate this on our website and in upcoming newsletters.

**Wishing you a safe and relaxing summer!** Chris

## Colorado Safe Schools Month Announcement:

Colorado is launching a national initiative to establish October as Safe Schools Month. On the last day of this year's session, the General Assembly unanimously passed and co-sponsored Senate Joint Resolution 14-031, designating October as "Safe Schools Month" in Colorado, with copies of the resolution going to the White House and several members of the U.S. Cabinet. SJR14-031 covers the full spectrum of what we all do to create safe learning environments, and invites everyone to join a month-long national conversation on school safety.

Start sending us your ideas and plans for this October so we can highlight them in our upcoming CSSRC E-Updates. The resolution encourages "all educators, community partners, first responders, subject matter experts, members of the private sector, the media, and other stakeholders to coordinate their activities with the Colorado School Safety Resource Center and to help promote a culture of school safety and positive school climate." Senator Steve King, who introduced the resolution, will hold a Safe Schools Month launch event at the Colorado State Capitol on Thursday, September 25, 2014. All are invited to this free event.

For more information, please click on the links below.

[Senate Joint Resolution 14-031](#)

[Concerning SJR 14-031 Colorado Safe Schools Month](#)

## CURRENT EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ❖ **NEW** BASIC Prep or Businesses Assisting Schools in Communities Prepare

- **A new initiative that the Center will be launching on Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at the Marriott in Ft. Collins starting at 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM**
- We invite schools to send a representative to hear more about this exciting pilot program facilitated by the CSSRC that aims to enhance emergency preparedness and safety planning initiatives in Colorado schools by aligning districts and individual schools with local business partners.
- This program is intended to help schools create sustainable preparedness strategies for human and natural disasters and emergencies, while providing businesses with the opportunity to share expertise and increase their value to Colorado communities. While the CSSRC is not offering funding for this pilot program or individual projects, BASIC Prep will provide facilitated collaboration between Colorado schools and businesses as they work in partnership to enhance school resiliency, emergency preparedness and safety planning. We hope to use the pilot project to create a replicable model for the entire state. For more information and to register, please call Christine Harms at 303-239-4534.

### ❖ **NEW** School Psychologist Position Open at Accountable Healthcare

- Accountable Healthcare is looking for a School Psychologist for the 2014-15 school year to work in Colorado Springs. This position will start on August 11<sup>th</sup> and run through the end of the school year. Student population will be blind or visually impaired and time will be split evenly between counseling and testing.
- For more information, email Josh Jones at [JoshJones@ahcstaff.com](mailto:JoshJones@ahcstaff.com) or call 888-853-0979.
- Job posting at <http://www.ahcstaff.com/job-seekers/jobs/all/School%2520Psychologist/all/CO/Colorado+Springs/all/>

### ❖ **No Place for Hate®**

- ADL has begun to sign-up schools interested in their No Place for Hate® Initiative for the 2014-2015 school year!
- No Place for Hate® is an initiative of the [Anti-Defamation League](#), Mountain States Region, offered to schools in Colorado and Wyoming.
- The initiative is designed to rally the entire school around the goal of creating a welcoming community committed to stopping all forms of bias and bullying. No Place For Hate® provides a unique framework to incorporate new and existing programs with one consistent message. No Place For Hate® can help your school foster a culture of respect and create a safe, bully-free learning environment for students at all grade levels.
- [Sign up and learn more](#)

### ❖ **Ready, Steady, Strong workshops**

- FEMA is offering Colorado schools an opportunity to receive FREE emergency preparedness workshops specifically geared toward students ages 14-18. Ready, Steady, Strong workshops are intended to teach youth about preparing for natural disasters, while empowering students to know how to help their families and communities in the face of an unexpected crisis. These interactive, age-appropriate workshops can be customized to meet a variety of time, curriculum and audience structures and can be tailored to fill the specific needs of a school or community.
- **For more information, or to schedule a FREE Ready, Steady, Strong workshop at your school, please contact Daniel England, at [daniel.England@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:daniel.England@fema.dhs.gov), or Ariella Ross, at [ariella.ross@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:ariella.ross@fema.dhs.gov).**

## **COLORADO SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER TRAININGS**

### ❖ **Annual Symposium for the Prevention of School Violence**

- **June 6, 2014, Regis University, North Denver (Lowell) Campus**
- Hosted by: Regis University, College of Professional Studies, School of Education in conjunction with Foundation for the Prevention of School Violence and the Colorado School Safety Resource Center.
- This all day annual event will showcase various speaker presentations and moderated discussions by experienced practitioners exploring the best practices in the prevention of school violence. This unique educational event brings together educators, law enforcement, administrators, and the general community interested in creating safe learning environments.
- Keynote Speaker: Retired Arapahoe County Sheriff, Grayson Robinson
- Featured Speaker:
  - John Nicoletti, Nicoletti-Flater Associates, PLLP – Specialists in Police and Public Safety Psychology, Crisis Intervention, Trauma Recovery, and Violence Prevention
- [More information and registration](#)
- Portions of this year's event will be available to an online audience. For more information visit [www.fpsv.org](http://www.fpsv.org).

### ❖ **Multi-Hazard Emergency Planning for Schools**

- The Colorado School Safety Resource Center, in partnership with the Colorado Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management is proud to offer the following courses presented by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).
- **L364, Multi-hazard Emergency Planning for Schools Field Course** will be held on Monday and Tuesday, **June 9th and 10th** in Loveland, CO. This course will have a maximum of 40 attendees. You will need to create an account in CO.Train if you do not already have a registration account. The course ID in CO.Train is [1050575](#).

- **L362, Train-the-Trainer for L364** is a three (3) day course and will be held on **August 13th, 14th and 15th** at the State Patrol Academy in Golden. This course will have a maximum of 30 attendees. You will need to create an account in CO.Train if you do not already have a registration account. The course ID in CO.Train is [1050583](#).
  - **You must attend L364 to be eligible to attend L362, Train-the-Trainer**
  - After you've registered there will be a process to choose the final candidates and you will be notified as to whether or not you may attend. We do urge you to attend with a small team from your school and community.
  - **There is no charge to attend these classes.**
  - Please remember that you must register yourself on [co.train.org](http://co.train.org) but please feel free to call the Colorado School Safety Resource Center, at (303)239-4435 with any other questions.
- ❖ **NEW SAVE THE DATE: Positive School Climate: Bullying Prevention Institute**
- **September 16, 2014, Grand Junction, CO (further details to come)**
  - Hosted by: Colorado School Safety Resource Center with support from the Gay & Lesbian Fund for Colorado.
  - This event will explore various topics such as measuring school climate, best practices in bullying prevention, an overview of bullying prevention legislation and on-the-spot interventions and curriculum ideas.
  - Keynote Speaker: Dorothy L. Espelage, Ph.D, Professor of Child Development and Associate Chair in the Department of Educational Psychology at the University of Illinois.
  - For more information, [click here](#).
- ❖ **NEW SAVE THE DATE: Traumatized Youth and How Schools Can Assist**
- **September 24, 2014, Adams 12, Thornton, CO (further details to come)**
  - Hosted by: Colorado School Safety Resource Center
  - This event will explore various topics such as what is known about youth & trauma, creating trauma sensitive classrooms, teen dating violence, adult misconduct in schools, trafficking of students, secondary traumatic stress and school staff, and evidence-based interventions.
  - Special Guest Speakers: Lenya Robinson, Director of Trauma Informed and Integrated Care, Colorado Office of Behavioral Health, and Lynn Garst, Associate Director of Community Services, Child & Family Services, Mental Health Center of Denver.
  - For more information, [click here](#).

## CSSRC MOST RECENT ONLINE COURSE OFFERINGS

- ❖ **Basic Mental Health Awareness for Educators**
- Click here for more information on [Basic Mental Health Awareness for Educators](#).
- ❖ **School Security Personnel: Emergency Management**
- Click here and scroll down for more information on [School Security Personnel: Emergency Management](#).
- ❖ **School Security Personnel: Interpersonal Communications**
- Click here and scroll down for more information on [School Security Personnel: Interpersonal Communications](#).
- ❖ **CSSRC Most Recent Livestream Keynotes Archived**
- Keynotes by:
    - Michelle Murphy, JD, "Overview of Guiding Legislation" from Proactive School Discipline on May 1, 2014

- Eldridge Greer, PhD, “Discipline, Data and Disproportionality” from Proactive School Discipline on May 1, 2014
- Erin Sullivan, MEd, “Data Analysis to Drive Decisions” from Proactive School Discipline on May 1, 2014
- John Nicoletti, PhD, “Analyzing School Attacks to Minimize Vulnerabilities” from the Threat Assessment in Schools Training on April 2, 2014
- Dorothy Espelage, PhD, “Realistic Strategies for Bully Prevention and Promoting Positive School Climate” from the Positive School Climate: Bullying Prevention Institute on February 12, 2014
- [Click here to see Livestreams of all previous keynote addresses...](#)

## WEBINARS and OTHER ONLINE LEARNING COURSES

- ❖ **NEW Promising Practices and Technologies for Communicating with Persons with Access and Functional Needs during Emergencies**
  - **June 4, 2014 11:00am MT**
  - Created by the [First Responders Group Capacity Building Webinar Series](#), in partnership with the [Department of Health and Human Services](#), [Office of the Assistant Secretary of Preparedness and Response \(ASPR\)](#), and the [Department of Homeland Security](#).
  - This webinar series offers innovative practices and national models on how our nation’s emergency management and responder agencies can share information, improve communications and implement solutions that are cost effective and interoperable.
  - Pre-registration is not required.
  - [Access the webinar](#)
- ❖ **Girls Matter! Webinar Series Addressing Adolescent Girls’ Behavioral Health**
  - **June 10, 2014, 3:00-4:30 pm ET**, Sanctuary and Support for Girls in Crisis
  - **July 14, 2014, 3:00-4:30 pm ET**, The Power of Youth Development and Recovery Supports
  - This webinar series provides research, best practice and critical thinking on the topics that professionals working with girls and young women must know. Each session addresses a key area of what matters to adolescent girls today—including challenges, opportunities, and strategies for supporting girls.
  - The [Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration \(SAMHSA\)](#) has created this webinar series to: increase the behavioral health workforce’s understanding of the needs and concerns of adolescent girls (primarily ages 12-18); and bring visibility and attention to the specific behavioral health concerns of adolescent girls
  - [More information and registration](#)
- ❖ **Mandated Reporters Training**
  - Created by the [Colorado Department of Human Services \(CDHS\)](#)
  - This training is intended for those including healthcare providers, mental health providers, educators, first responders, and others who are mandated by law to report child abuse and neglect.
  - Access the training on Google Chrome or Firefox at <http://coloradocwts.com/community-training>
- ❖ **NEW Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Launches New Online University Website**

- The [Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention \(OJJDP\)](#) has launched a new website for the OJJDP Online University. This is a central source for the juvenile justice community to connect with training and technical assistance.
- The Online University is a one-stop shop for training courses, webinars, training, and materials.
- Access the [Online University](#) for resources and trainings.

## OTHER TRAININGS and EVENTS

### ❖ **Colorado Advocacy in Action Conference**

- **June 2-4, 2014**
- Hosted by the Colorado Coalition Against Domestic Violence (CCADV) and Colorado Coalition Against Sexual Assault (CCASA)
- For more information, please go to <http://www.coloradoadvocacy.org/>

### ❖ **Annual Brain Injury Conference: Frontiers in Brain Injury Treatment**

- **June 5, 2014, 7:15am – 4:00pm, the Pinery at the Hill, 775 West Bijou St, Colorado Springs**
- Presented by BrainCare, a program of [Rocky Mountain Health Care Services](#)
- [Learn more and register](#)

### ❖ **Community Awareness Program (CAP) Updated**

- **June 10, 2014, 6:00-8:30pm, [registration](#)**
- **July 29, 2014, 6:00-8:30pm, [registration](#)**
- **August 19, 2014 6:00-8:30pm [registration](#)**
- The CELL, 99 W. 12th Ave. Denver, CO 80204
- The CAP is [the CELL's](#) public safety initiative approved through the Department of Homeland Security that educates individuals on how to help prevent criminal and possible terrorist activity.
- The cost for each training is \$5.00 per person.

### ❖ **Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST) Updated Version**

- The ASIST training is a worldwide suicide intervention first aid training appropriate for all caregivers, formal or informal. This training is recognized as a Best Practices skills based training through the National Suicide Prevention Resource Center and is a training program used to train all volunteers through the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (1-800-273-TALK).
- Sponsored by the [Douglas County Suicide Prevention Alliance](#) (DCSPA) and held at the Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Highland's Ranch Substation, 9250 Zotos Drive, Highlands Ranch, CO:
  - **June 11-12, 2014, 8:30am – 4:00pm**
  - \$50 for community members, \$25 for DCSPA members
  - Contact Renee Hoyt at 303-387-9500 or [rmhoyt@dcsdk12.org](mailto:rmhoyt@dcsdk12.org) for more information

### ❖ **NEW Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Training – Larimer County**

- **June 13-14 & 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014, Poudre Fire Authority Training Center, 3400 W. Vine Drive, Fort Collins, CO 80524**
- This 20-hour training will help you learn important fire safety information, life-saving first aid, light search and rescue, and what supplies to have on hand before a disaster strikes.
- For more information about this class please visit <http://www.poudre-fire.org/emergency-preparedness> or contact Chris Wolf at [970-416-2859](tel:970-416-2859).

### ❖ **The Briefings National School Safety Symposium (location updated)**

- **June 16-20, 2014, Bear Creek High School, 9800 W. Dartmouth Place, Lakewood, CO 80227**

- Hosted by the [Colorado Attorney General](#), [Jeffco Public Schools](#), [Jefferson County Sheriff's Office](#), and [the "I Love U Guys" Foundation](#)
  - This week-long symposium examines lessons learned from traumatic events and reveals new, preemptive school safety measures growing in multiple realms.
  - [Registration and more information](#)
- ❖ **NEW safeTALK Workshops (Suicide Awareness Training)**
- **June 27, 2014, 1:00pm-4:00pm**
  - **August 20, 2014, 9:00am-12:00pm**
  - **September 16, 2014, 1:00pm-4:00pm**
  - **October 15, 2014, 9:00am-12:00pm**
  - **November 18, 2014, 1:00pm-4:00pm**
  - Presented by the [Douglas Arapahoe Suicide Prevention Alliance](#)
  - These three-hour trainings prepare anyone over the age of 15 to identify persons with thoughts of suicide and connect them to suicide first aid resources.
  - All workshops are free and open to the public.
  - [Registration and more information](#)
- ❖ **National School Climate Center Institutes**
- **July 7, 2014, Winston Preparatory School, NY – School Climate Policy Institute**
  - **July 8-10, 2014, Winston Preparatory School, NY – School Climate Renewal and the Common Core**
  - Hosted by the National School Climate Center (NSCC)
  - Learn about integrating school climate with the Common Core and model policies
  - [Registration and more information](#)
- ❖ **NEW Law Enforcement Active Shooter Emergency Response (LASER)**
- **July 15-16, 2014, 8:00am to 5:00pm, University of Denver, 2130 S. High St, Denver, CO 80201**
  - Presented by the Colorado Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).
  - This course addresses technical aspects of planning and implementing a rapid law enforcement deployment to an active shooter incident through classroom presentations, hands-on performance-based field training and scenario-based practical exercises.
  - In addition to law enforcement, school resource officers are also encouraged to attend.
  - **This course is offered through CO. Train – Course ID 1047035.** If you do not have a registration account in CO. Train, you will need to create one at [www.co.train.org](http://www.co.train.org)
  - For help with CO. Train registration, contact [Michael.bean@state.co.us](mailto:Michael.bean@state.co.us)
  - **There is no charge to attend these classes.**
- ❖ **Supporting Military Children through School Transitions: Social/Emotional**
- **July 24-25, 2014, Learning Development Center, 600 S. Aspen St, Building #1032, Buckley, CO 80011**
  - Funded by the US Air Force; No Cost to Participants
  - This is a professional development training for educators and service providers (mental health, social work and child-care) in Colorado. This two day, 12 contact hour course will be conducted July 24-25. There are 50 seats in the class.
  - [Learn more and register](#)
- ❖ **Tier 1 Intensive Training in the Collaborative Problem Solving Approach**
- **August 6-8, 2014, Hangar 61, Stapleton Fellowship Church, 8700 E 21st Ave, Denver, 80238**
  - Presented by [Collaborative Consultation & Counseling](#) in partnership with THINK:KIDS



- The approach used is based upon the model described in the book *Treating Explosive Kids* by Dr. Ross Greene and Dr. Stuart Ablon. This model has been applied to children with a wide range of social, emotional, and behavioral challenges, and in a variety of settings.
- [More Information](#) and [Registration](#)

#### ❖ **School Hostage Tabletop Exercise**

- **August 20, 2014, 9:30am – 2:00pm, location in Denver, TBD**
- Presented by the [Federal Emergency Management Agency](#)'s Emergency Management Institute (EMI)
- The 2014 Virtual Tabletop Exercises (VTTX) involves key personnel discussing simulated scenarios in an informal setting, and can be used to assess plans, policies, training and procedures.
- Advanced registration is required; walk-ins are not allowed.
- For more information, call 303.202.4588
- [Click here for more information and to register...](#)

#### ❖ **National Prevention Network (NPN) Prevention Research Conference**

- **September 15-18, 2014, Hartford, CT**
- Presented by the [National Prevention Network \(NPN\)](#), a component group of the [National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors \(NASADAD\)](#)
- State prevention directors together with representatives in territories, jurisdictions and tribes, will join together for a conference program that will highlight "CONNECTing Healthy Communities through Prevention Research and Practice." The purpose of the conference is to highlight and introduce evidence-based programs, innovations, practices and principles supporting high quality prevention programming.
- [More information and registration](#)

## CURRENT GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

#### ❖ **NEW Minority Youth Violence Prevention: Integrating Public Health and Community Policing Approaches**

- **Applications due June 13, 2014**
- Funding provided by [the Department of Health and Human Services](#)
- The purpose of this grant is to support interventions developed through adaptations, refinements, and modifications of violence prevention and crime reduction models tailored to at-risk minority male youth.
- [Learn more and apply](#)

#### ❖ **Now is the Time Project AWARE Local Educational Agency Grants**

- **Applications due June 16, 2014**
- Funding provided by the [Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration \(SAMHSA\)](#)
- The purpose of this program is to assist local educational agencies to begin to support the training of school personnel and other adults who interact with youth in both school settings and communities to detect and respond to mental illness in children and youth, including how to encourage adolescents and their families experiencing these problems to seek treatment. It is required that individuals be trained in Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) or Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA).
- Award Amount: Up to \$50,000 per year
- [More information and application](#)



### ❖ **NEW School Climate Transformation Grant**

- **Applications due June 23, 2014**
- Funding provided by [US Department of Education Office of Elementary and Secondary Education](#)
- **Eligible:** This grant provides assistance to local educational agencies (LEAs) to develop, enhance, or expand support systems and technical assistance to schools implementing an evidence-based multi-tiered behavioral framework to improve learning conditions for all students.
- [Learn more and apply](#)

### ❖ **NEW National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention Expansion Project Funding Opportunity**

- **Applications due June 23, 2014**
- Funded by the [Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention](#)
- **Eligible:** Applicants are limited to units of local government, including state agencies, public agencies, and federally recognized tribal governments.
- The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) will competitively select as many as five new sites to join the National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention, a collaboration that supports communities' capacity to combat youth and gang violence by applying evidence-based prevention, intervention, law enforcement and reentry strategies.
- [Learn more and apply](#)

### ❖ **Project Prevent Grant Program**

- **Applications due June 30, 2014**
- Funding provided by the U.S. Department of Education [Office of Elementary and Secondary Education \(OESE\)](#)
- **Eligible:** This program provides funding to local educational agencies (LEAs) to increase their capacity both to identify, assess, and serve students exposed to pervasive violence, helping to ensure that affected students are offered mental health services for trauma or anxiety; support conflict resolution programs; and implement other school-based violence prevention strategies in order to reduce the likelihood that these students will later commit violent acts.
- [Learn more and apply](#)

### ❖ **Developing Knowledge about What Works to Make Schools Safe**

- **Applications due July 10, 2014**
- Funding provided by the [National Institute of Justice \(NIJ\)](#)
- NIJ seeks proposals to develop knowledge about the effects of personnel, programs, and activities on school safety in the United States.
- **Eligible:** Funds are available to local education agencies (LEAs), public charter schools that are recognized as an LEA and State educational agencies (SEAs). Applicants are expected to enter into an agreement to partner with highly qualified researchers and research organizations to test whether an intervention helps us understand what works in making schools safer. NIJ is particularly interested in the impact on school safety of mental health services, public safety and preparedness (such as the use of school resource officers), and school climate and culture programs.
- [Learn more and apply](#)

### ❖ **NEW School Justice Collaboration Program: Keeping Kids in School and Out of Court**

- **Applications due July 21, 2014**
- Funding provided by the [Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention \(OJJDP\)](#), the [U.S. Department of Education](#), and [Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration \(SAMHSA\)](#)

- **Eligible:** Applicants are limited to local juvenile and family courts (including rural and tribal juvenile and family courts) that can verify that they have a partnership—with a local education agency (LEA) that has applied to the Department of Education’s School Climate Transformation Grants-LEA (SCTG) and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Project Now Is the Time Project AWARE—LEA program.
- The larger goal of this program is to enhance collaboration and coordination among schools, mental and behavioral health specialists, law enforcement, and juvenile justice officials at the local level to ensure adults have the support, training, and a shared framework to help students succeed in school and prevent negative outcomes for youth and communities.
- [Application information](#)

## **RESOURCES and INFORMATION**

### *Prevention Resources*

- ❖ **NEW 2012 School Health Policies and Practices Study (SHPPS) Products Released**
  - The US Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Division of Adolescent and School Health released 24 fact sheets reporting results from the 2012 SHPPS study.
  - [Access the study and fact sheets](#)
- ❖ **NEW Bilingual Resource: Bicycle Safer Journey**
  - The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) recently released [Bicycle Safer Journey](#), a free online education tool designed to help educators and parents talk to children about bicycle safety.
  - The tool consists of three videos for all ages and is available in English and Spanish.
  - [Access the online tool](#)
- ❖ **Alcohol and the Teen Brain, and Marijuana and the Teen Brain**
  - New information sheet created in April 2014 by the [SpeakNow!](#) Campaign, an effort of the Colorado Office of Behavioral Health (OBH).
  - Learn about the effects of alcohol and marijuana on adolescents.
  - [Access the information sheet](#)
- ❖ **E-Cigarettes and Calls to Poison Centers**
  - Released April 2014 by the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#)
  - [Notes from the Field: Calls to Poison Centers for Exposures to Electronic Cigarettes — United States, September 2010–February 2014](#)
  - [Press Release: New CDC Study Finds Dramatic Increase in E-Cigarette-Related Calls to Poison Centers](#)
- ❖ **Not Alone: The First Report of the White House Task Force to Protect Students from Sexual Assault**
  - Released in April 2014 by the White House.
  - One in five women is sexually assaulted in college. Most often, it’s by someone she knows – and also most often, she does not report what happened. Many survivors are left feeling isolated, ashamed or to blame. Although it happens less often, men, too, are victims of these crimes.
  - The President created the Task Force to Protect Students from Sexual Assault to turn this tide. As the name of our new website – [NotAlone.gov](#) – indicates, we are here to tell sexual assault survivors that they are not

alone. And we're also here to help schools live up to their obligation to protect students from sexual violence.

- [Read the report](#)

#### ❖ **The Relationship between Bullying and Suicide: What We Know and What it Means for Schools**

- Released in April 2014 by the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#).
- As school administrators, teachers and school staff in daily contact with young people, you are uniquely affected by these events and feel enormous pressure to help prevent them in the future. The purpose of this document is to provide concrete, action-oriented information based on the latest science to help you improve your schools' understanding of and ability to prevent and respond to the problem of bullying and suicide-related behavior.
- [Access the report](#)

### *Mitigation Resources*

#### ❖ **NEW Title IX Requirements as Related to Sexual Violence in Schools**

- Released on April 29, 2014 by the Office for Civil Rights, US Department of Education
- This "Questions and Answers" letter concerns the requirements of Title IX as it relates to sexual violence in schools and further clarifies the legal requirements under Title IX on Sexual Violence and Sexual Harassment.
- [Read the report](#)

#### ❖ **NEW Human Trafficking Program**

- Information on Human Trafficking presented by the [Colorado Organization for Victim Assistance \(COVA\)](#)
- [Human Trafficking Program](#)
- [Access the brochure](#)
- [Access the brochure in Spanish](#)

#### ❖ **Advancing Transportation and Health: Approaches from the Federal Safe Routes to School Program that Offer Broad Application**

- Published December 2013 by the [Federal Highway Administration](#) and [National Safe Routes to School](#)
- This report summarizes a SRTS Roundtable held with transportation and health professionals who examined the contributions that SRTS has made, and can continue to make, to transportation and health programs.
- [Read the report](#)

#### ❖ **Civil Rights Data Collection: Data Snapshot: School Discipline**

- Published March 2014 by the U.S. Department of Education [Office for Civil Rights](#)
- This issue brief contains the latest information about school discipline, restraint, and seclusion.
- [Read the data snapshot](#)

### *Response & Recovery Resources*

#### ❖ **NEW Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA) Resource Guide**

- Presented by [Central Colorado AHEC](#) in partnership with Americorps to provide Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA)
- The Mental Health First Aid USA Youth Curriculum is a public education program which introduces participants to the unique risk factors and warning signs of mental health problems in adolescents, builds

understanding of the importance of early intervention, and most importantly – teaches individuals how to help an adolescent in crisis or experiencing a mental health challenge by making an appropriate referral.

- The Colorado School Safety Resource Center now offers Youth Mental Health First Aid as part of its trainings for Colorado schools and districts. For information regarding how to set up this valuable training in your school or community, please contact the CSSRC at (303) 239-4435.
- [Access the Resource Guide](#)

#### ❖ Concussion Management Guidelines

- Updated in April 2014 by the [Colorado Department of Education \(CDE\)](#)
- CDE is working with Colorado school districts to develop a comprehensive system of support for children with a mild to severe brain injury, through the development of systemic district-level protocol and partnership with community resources.
- [Access the brain injury site and updated Guidelines](#)

#### ❖ Through Our Eyes: Children, Violence and Trauma

- New videos added in April 2014 by the US Department of Justice [Office for Victims of Crime \(OVC\)](#)
- This series now includes eight videos, accompanying resource guides, and public awareness posters—the most recent videos highlight intervention in schools, innovations in juvenile justice, addressing violence in the home, and a call to action on how you can help a child in need.
- [Access the videos](#)

### Research & Statistics Resources

#### ❖ Youth Exposure to Violence Prevention Programs in a National Sample

- Published in March 2014 in [Child Abuse & Neglect](#)
- The survey findings show that two-thirds of children ages 5–9 and three-quarters of youth 10–17 years old have benefitted from formal bullying or violence prevention programs. The researchers found that school-age children had lower levels of both peer victimization and perpetration, while older youth made more disclosures about victimization to parents and authorities.
- [Access the study](#)

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