

June, 2009 – Member Update



Dear SAVIR members:

It is a busy time of year as we move into summer. Below are several announcements and opportunities to continue your involvement with SAVIR.

1. Board Elections

The 2009 Board openings will be announced soon, with a 3-year term to begin in November, 2009. If you would like to be involved in shaping the future of this organization, consider running for the SAVIR Board. Watch for announcements regarding nominations (by self or others) in late summer.

2. Member Success Stories

We want to share your stories and accomplishments! As a new feature of our website, we will have a rotating Member Success Stories section in the SAVIR Blog (to highlight recent activities, accomplishments, and achievements of SAVIR members). If you would like to highlight something from your work or your agency's work, please send a description (no more than 130 words) to: admin@savirweb.org.

3. Injury Course Listings & Syllabi

The Training and Infrastructure Committee has collected teaching materials to provide as a resource to fellow Violence and Injury professionals. The committee continues to seek teaching materials to post on the SAVIR website. To access course listings & syllabi materials and to upload new material, please go to: <http://www.savirweb.org/content/index.php?pid=53>

4. From SAVIR Column

Watch for the piece titled "**From SAVIR**" in each issue of *Injury Prevention*. The next issue will feature information about core competencies for the field of injury control (<http://www.injured.org/>), and the following issue will address injury prevention within the health care reform agenda.

5. Save-The-Date: SAVIR Bi-Annual Conference 2011

The third Bi-Annual SAVIR Conference will be held in Iowa City April 6 – 8, 2011 at the Marriott (<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/cidic-coralville-marriott-hotel-and-conference-center/>). Watch for announcements for abstract submission, room reservations (at \$110 per night), and other conference updates. If you have ideas for a conference theme, email it to Julie Gibbs: admin@savirweb.org.

6. The National Trauma Data Bank (NTDB)

The National Trauma Data Bank (NTDB) is the largest aggregation of U.S. trauma registry data ever assembled. The goal of the NTDB is to inform the medical community, the public, and decision makers about a wide variety of issues that characterize the current state of care for injured persons in our country. To access the database, please go to:

<http://www.savirweb.org/index.php>

7. Other Activities

The SAVIR Board is working on several important initiatives of which we want all members to be aware:

- We are developing a formal business plan to solicit funds from foundations and corporations. If you have any expertise in the development of business plans or fundraising, and would be interested in serving on the Sustainability Committee, please contact Julie Gibbs (admin@savirweb.org)
- SAVIR is working on ideas to establish a presence at the World Injury Congress in London, 2010. If you have any ideas, please forward them to us!

Have a safe and happy summer.

Yours Truly,

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