

### **Winter 2010 Member update**

I bring you warm greetings during this cold February. SAVIR has been very active during these winter months and here is some of the ongoing dialogue within the organization.

### **NCIPC Director Search**

SAVIR is actively involved in helping identify candidates to fill the position of NCIPC Director. This position is pivotal for the future growth of our field, and SAVIR hopes to bring as many strong potential candidates into the applicant pool as possible. Past President Corinne Peek-Asa and Board Member Fred Rivara represent SAVIR on the search committee. The Board would like your help to identify strong candidates, and we encourage you to reach out personally to recruit candidate. If you have ideas, please forward them to Cori Peek-Asa ([corinne-peek-asa@uiowa.edu](mailto:corinne-peek-asa@uiowa.edu)).

### **NCIPC Position Announcement**

<http://jobview.usajobs.gov/GetJob.aspx?JobID=86090281&JobTitle=Director%2c+National+Center+for+Injury+Prevention+and+Control&FedEmp=N&FedPub=Y&sort=rv%2c-dtex&vw=d&re=134&caller=basic.aspx&jbf574=HE39&tm=0&AVSDM=2010-02-05+00%3a03%3a00>

### ***From SAVIR***

As a benefit of membership with SAVIR, each member is provided online access to our field's outstanding journal *Injury Prevention*. Included in each issue is a *From SAVIR* column. SAVIR, under the leadership of President-elect Andrea Gielen, has been evaluating and planning future topics. If you have idea on future topics or other comments on the column please send them to her ([agielen@jhsph.edu](mailto:agielen@jhsph.edu)). Past *From SAVIR* column are archived on our website and a link to the journal online can be found on SAVIR's home page.

### **Join a SAVIR Committee**

All members should consider becoming more active within SAVIR in 2010. There is much exciting work going on within SAVIR and its Committees currently. We are planning conferences, coordinating advocacy efforts, reviewing abstracts, and interacting with our partners in the field. We welcome your energy and ideas. Members at any level of professional development, students, junior or senior level faculty, are welcome on our committees and will have meaningful roles. Please follow this link to SAVIR web page that describes our committees (<http://www.savirweb.org/content/index.php?pid=19>). Feel free to email the Committee Chair or myself to answer any questions you have and we will be certain to get you information about the next committee's conference call.

### **Employment opportunities**

SAVIR maintains on its website a page of employment opportunities in the field. Also included on this page are injury and violence prevention fellowship opportunities. There are several positions currently listed in both areas that reflects the growth within the field of injury and violence prevention. If you have a position you would like to list here, please forward us description.

### **Injury and Violence Prevention Meetings**

There are currently two calls for injury or violence related abstracts that we have been asked to make our members aware of the upcoming deadlines. APHA has extended

their abstract deadlines for the APHA meeting in November 2010. The deadline for submitting an abstract for the Injury Control and Emergency Health Services (ICEHS) Section originally set for Thursday, February 4th has been moved forward to Sunday, February 14 (11:59 PM PST). There will be no additional extensions. Please consult the guidelines on the APHA website to prepare your abstracts.

Also the American Academy of Pediatrics has a call for abstracts for its October 2010 meeting (<http://www.aapexperience.org/>).

Other upcoming injury meetings that abstract deadlines have closed but are scheduled for this year include: The 2010 Joint Annual Meeting of STIPDA and CDC Core I & II State Injury Grantees to be held April 2010 and the Safety 2010 World Conference in London, UK in September 2010.

**Do you have a successful advocacy story?**

The SAVIR Advocacy Committee is collecting stories of successful or challenging advocacy experience around and injury or violence related policy. They will review the materials they receive and decide how best to disseminate this information. Please send your experience on this important work to Advocacy Committee Co-Chair Susan DeFrancesco [SDeFrancesco@salud.unm.edu](mailto:SDeFrancesco@salud.unm.edu)

Best Regards,  
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