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Emmy Betz, MD MPH, is an emergency physician who works clinically at the University of Colorado Hospital and conducts research in injury epidemiology and prevention. She is currently an Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine (University of Colorado School of Medicine), a Research Physician at the Geriatric Research, Education and Clinical Core (Eastern Colorado VA), and Deputy Director of the Injury and Violence Prevention Center in Colorado (Colorado School of Public Health), where she leads Firearm Injury Prevention Initiative.

She is a nationally-recognized expert in firearm injury prevention and an invited member of workgroups with numerous medical organizations, the Department of Defense Suicide Prevention Office, and the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine. She cofounded and leads the Colorado Firearm Safety Coalition, a collaborative effort between public health and medical professionals and firearm retailers to reduce firearm suicides. She serves as PI and Co-I on multiple research projects funded through the National Institutes of Health and private foundations, has published over 100 peer-reviewed manuscripts, and in 2015 she gave a TEDxMileHigh talk on firearm suicide.