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Welcome to the first of the CHOP Center for Injury Research and Prevention's e-Newsletters. These occasional updates will provide the latest news, research developments, and announcements from the Center. We've designed this newsletter to serve our research colleagues, industry partners, safety educators and advocates. In this issue, along with the latest news and research updates, we'll highlight the Center's workshops and presentations at the 2007 Lifesavers Conference, just days away. We'll look forward to seeing many of you there!

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News from the CHOP & State Farm Research Partnership

- [CHOP and State Farm Announce Mission to Keep Young Drivers Safe](#)

On January 25th, researchers from The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and executives from State Farm (R) were joined by the Arends family in Gibson City, IL, to announce their commitment to advance scientific research in the arena of teen driving. State Farm recently committed its support for the multi-year, multi-million dollar CHOP-State Farm young driver research project through at least 2010. More information on this research is available at www.chop.edu/injury, and we have also developed a website for parents at www.chop.edu/youngdrivers.

- [CHOP and State Farm Issue Report Shows Booster Seat Laws, Primary Seat Belt Laws are Effective to Increase Proper Restraint Use](#)

The third Partners for Child Passenger Safety CPS Issue Report released on March 5th provides the new research that supports the enactment of optimal restraint laws to increase restraint use among key age groups. The Report includes a new legislative educational tool. [Download the Issue Report: "Do Laws Make a Difference?"](#)

- [PCPS Data Presented at NHTSA Public Hearing on LATCH](#)

Kristy Arbogast, Ph.D., Director of Field Engineering at the Center for Injury Research and Prevention, presented data from PCPS crash investigations to provide insight into common misuse of the LATCH system, including: loose attachment of LATCH webbing straps to the vehicle seat; non-use of the top-tether for forward-facing seats; and use of rear outboard LATCH anchors to install the seat in the center rear position. [Read the study abstract for more information.](#)

More Injury Center News

- [The Center for Injury Research and Prevention Hosts Multi-site Violence Prevention Collaborative](#)

Through a cooperative agreement with The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), The Philadelphia Collaborative Violence Prevention Center (PCVPC) brings together The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, the University of Pennsylvania, Temple University and Drexel University with community-based organizations to address and prevent violence and aggression in the lives of young people in West and Southwest Philadelphia.

- [Center for Injury Research and prevention Founder Recognized for Impact on Health Care Delivery System](#)

AcademyHealth awarded Flaura Koplin-Winston, M.D., Ph.D., its 2007 Health Services Research (HSR) Impact Award for her leadership of the Partners for Child Passenger Safety Study.

- [Center Researcher Participates in National Safety Council's GDL Symposium](#)

Teresa Senserrick, Ph.D, Behavioral Scientist, presented recent developments in young driver training and education in Australia.

Recent Publications from the Injury Center

Journal Articles

- [Effect of booster seat laws on appropriate restraint use by children 4 to 7 years old involved in crashes.](#) *Archives of Pediatric and Adolescent Medicine.* March 2007.
- [Field Use Patterns and Performance of Child Restraints Secured by Lower Anchors and Tethers for Children \(LATCH\).](#) *Accident Analysis & Prevention.* January 2007. [Epub ahead of print]

Research Reports

- [Driving: Through the Eyes of Teens](#) January 2007

- [CPS Issue Report #3: Do Laws Make a Difference?](#) March 2007

The Center for Injury Research and Prevention at Lifesavers 2007

We're looking forward to seeing friends and colleagues at Lifesavers in Chicago March 24-27. The Center for Injury Research and Prevention will be participating in the plenary, several workshops and a State Farm-sponsored reception:

Sunday, 3/25

- **2:00- 3:30 PM- Has LATCH improved your installation problems?**

Kristy Arbogast, Ph.D., Director of Field Engineering, The Center for Injury Research and Prevention discusses the most recent data on LATCH use patterns among parents.

Monday, 3/26

- **8:15 – 9:15 AM-Plenary Talk: “The Role of Parents for Teens”**

Kenneth Ginsburg, M.D., Adolescent Medicine specialist at The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia explores the role of the parent-teen relationship as it relates to the young driver experience.

- **1:00- 2:30 PM- "How do we get more parents involved in teens' driving experience?"**

Flaura Winston, M.D., Ph.D., Principal Investigator for CHOP and State Farm Young Driver research, presents methods, results, and applications of Phase I of the partnership’s young driver research.

- **1:00- 2:30 PM – Keeping score: How you know your program will make a difference**

Suzanne Hill, Director of Advocacy & Outreach for CHOP’s Center for Injury Research and Prevention, presents results from a study to determine effective booster seat messaging for at-risk parents.

- **5:00- 7:00 PM– State Farm Welcome Reception: “From the car seat to the driver’s seat”**

We invite you to join us for a State Farm Teen Driving Reception in the Boulevard Room of the Hilton Hotel. Start your evening with appetizers and meet the 2006 Project Ignition Champions and other State Farm partners in the field of teen driving, along with representatives from CHOP and MADD. Help us address the number one killer of teens in the U.S.!

Tuesday, 3/27

- **10:15- 11:15 AM- Keeping law enforcement involved in CPS**

Tracey Hewitt, M.S., C.H.E.S., Outreach and Advocacy Coordinator, discusses the role of law

enforcement for increasing use of child restraints.

- **10:15- 11:15 AM- Don't make back seat safety take a back seat**

Kristy Arbogast, Ph.D., Director of Field Engineering for PCPS, presents the latest PCPS data on rear seating for older children.

Resources for Educators

[New Collection of Child Passenger Safety Illustrations!](#)

Partners for Child Passenger Safety recently developed a series of 37 illustrations for educational use. These easy- to- follow line drawings are perfect for brochures, slides and handouts, and are available with captions in both English and Spanish.

The Center for Injury Research and Prevention Family of Websites

- The Center for Injury Research and Prevention (www.chop.edu/injury)
- Partners for Child Passenger Safety -English language (www.chop.edu/carseat)
- Partners for Child Passenger Safety- Spanish language (www.chop.edu/asientos_infantiles)
- Keeping Young Drivers Safe (www.chop.edu/youngdrivers)

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