7.g. GETAC Injury Prevention & Public Education Committee

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Texas Department of State Health Services

IPPE Committee

3/2024 Committee Priorities Update

Committee Priorities	Current Activities	Status
1. Identify data-driven opportunities to reduce the burden of fall injury and death	Data request surrounding falls and firearm deaths from DSHS presented at March Committee meeting.	
2. Incorporate safe firearm storage and screenings into the fabric of organizational culture and operations utilizing effective methodologies	Workday meeting scheduled in April to incorporate DSHS data into plan	
3. Provide evidence-based prevention strategies to reduce suicide and increase individual's capacity for a safe and healthy lifestyle.	Presentation: A Public Health Approach to Zero Suicide- Diane Kaulen and Dr. Angela Cummings Texas Children's Hospital given at March meeting. Workday meeting scheduled in April to incorporate into plan	

IPPE Committee

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Priority Not Implemented Priority Activities Recorded Priority Completed and Monitored

Committee Priorities	Current Activities	Status
4. Increase the number of certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians in Texas	Workday meeting scheduled in April to incorporate DSHS data into plan	
Statement of Purpose: The Governor's EMS and Trauma Advisory Council's Injury Prevention/Public Education committee is tasked with equitable promotion of safety, reducing injury risk and fostering a healthy environment for all Texans. The committee will utilize data, research and best practice strategies to define proactive processes, awareness, education of providers, and collaboration with stakeholders to prevent injuries and promote well-being.	Completed	