Violence takes a profound toll on young people, their families, their communities, and our society. If we aim to defuse the fuse in the short-term and move away from violence toward peace in the long-term, how do we best respond? Are we operating from inaccurate assumptions about causes or constrained by practice or policies that offer too few options for responding?

A public health lens sees that no single strategy prevents violence. Rather, prevention requires long-term commitment to a full spectrum of strategies. What should these be? More punishment? Indifference to the problem? The evidence calls us to move beyond these responses; social justice demands a reorientation of priorities.

At the 2010 Summer Institute in Adolescent Health, we will look at pathways to prevent violence using a public health lens. Grounded in the evidence, four priorities frame the agenda:

• Connecting young people with adult supports and opportunities.
• Shifting away from a culture of violence.
• Intervening at the first sign of risk.
• Redirecting those on a violent path.

Easier said than done. During the institute, we will consider strategies that lay between zero tolerance and complete indifference. Join us to explore means for restorative justice instead of suspension, build a toolbox for supporting effective parenting skills, and delve into the impact of policies that limit access to firearms and unhealthy exposure to violence on the screen.

Who Should Attend?
All who work with young people – teachers, coaches, and administrators; nurses, physicians, nutritionists, psychologists, social workers, counselors, and youth workers; religious leaders and policy makers.
Day 1: Challenging Causes and Solutions for Youth Violence

- Confront prevailing assumptions and perspectives about youth violence
- Investigate global root causes of violence – cultural, social, economic, and political
- Examine the effectiveness of a variety of levels of intervention to prevent youth violence, from street to school, from clinic to community

Guest Faculty

Howard Pinderhughes, PhD, is an Associate Professor and Chair of the Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences, School of Nursing, University of California, San Francisco. Dr. Pinderhughes' research focuses on race relations among young people, the causes and consequences of youth violence, and the role of race and ethnicity in the production of unequal health outcomes. Dr. Pinderhughes has conducted research on youth violence since 1994. His research examines the meaning and construction of violence among urban young people. Through school- and community-based participatory studies, he examines how urban adolescents think about and experience violence and assists them in taking action to prevent violence. Dr. Pinderhughes works with the CDC-funded UPRN project (Urban Partnerships to Increase Thriving Youth), a project collaborating with Minneapolis and other large U.S. cities developing and implementing comprehensive violence prevention.

Gary Staton, MD, an Ashoka Fellow and Professor of Epidemiology and International Health at the University of Illinois at Chicago, is a senior advisor to the World Health Organization and the 2009 Winner of the Search for a Common-Ground Award. Dr. Staton is an epidemiologist, an innovator in violence reduction, and the Founder/Executive Director of CeaseFire, a scientifically proven public health approach to violence reduction. His approach was heralded by the "The World in 2020" edition of the Economist as “the approach that will come to prominence.” In an extensive 3-year evaluation of the Violence Interrupter program, CeaseFire has been statistically validated to reduce shootings and killings. CeaseFire’s approach is currently being replicated in 12 U.S. cities with an additional 24 in planning stages. Dr. Staton applies lessons learned from more than a decade fighting epidemics in Africa and Asia to the creation of a public health model to reduce violence through behavior change and disease control methods.

Core Faculty

Linda H. Boxerman, PhD, RN, FAAN, Professor and Director, Center for Adolescent Nursing, School of Nursing, University of Minnesota

Iris Browdy, MD, PhD, Associate Professor, Division of Academic-Community Pediatrics, Department of Pediatrics, Medical School, University of Minnesota

Kathy Bythorn, MA, Coordinator, Coordinated School Health, Minnesota Department of Education and Health

Kathleen Harper, MPH, RW, RN, Adolescent Health Protection Research Trainer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, Georgia

Annette Moore, MA, Coordinator, Koinopa Institute for Best Practices in Adolescent Health, University of Minnesota

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Positive Pathways to Prevent Youth Violence

Institute Schedule and Highlights

The institute schedule runs from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. each day.

Day 2: Interrupting Violence Before it Spreads

- Merge behavior change and public health approaches for violence prevention
- Develop an epidemiology model to interrupt youth violence
- Project Ceasefire

Day 3: Partnering to Promote Peaceful Communities

- Think global, act local: Strengthening supportive and safe environments for diverse groups of young people
- Recognize youth as catalysts for shifting away from a culture of violence

Consider strategies for redirecting young people already on a violent path

Location

The workshop will be held at the Minnesota Department of Health, Leading Office Park, 400-406 Park Drive S., St. Paul, Minnesota 55101. Please visit the Minnesota Department of Health website at:

http://www.health.state.mn.us/about/ dohs/director/index.html1

Parking

Free parking is available in lots adjacent to the building.

Accommodations

For registrants requiring hotel accommodations while attending the institute nearby hotels for booking:
- Best Western Executive Square (651-444-1950)
- Ramada Hotel Green (651-444-9797)

Continuing Education

This program provides up to a hour of professional continuing education (CCEU) program. As a reminder, this program is not designed to meet the requirements for Continuing Education

Registration and Fees

The registration fee for the Institute is $246, and includes all program sessions, instructional materials, meals, room, and continuing education credit, plus course notes, lunch, and refreshments each day. Payment can be made online by credit card or check, payable to the University of Minnesota.

Registration refunds are made only if written cancellation is received by July 15th. The administrative fee of $25 is charged on cancellations. A refund of fees paid in full will be paid if the program is not held. The University of Minnesota reserves the right to cancel the program if necessary.

You are encouraged to register early since enrollment is limited. The registration deadline is July 15th. To register after this date, please call 612-626-0606 for space availability.

Registration Deadline: July 19th

Graduate Credit Options

The Institute may be taken for two graduate credits through the University of Minnesota or Hamline University.

Register for Hamline University Graduate Credit

Two semester graduate credits are available through Hamline University. Registration for credit is accepted on the first day of the institute with tuition payment of $246 due in addition to tuition. Participants are required to pay the full Institute fee of $250.

Register online at:

www.nursing.umn.edu/CAN. Click on the continuing education link in the left column and scroll down. Or, complete the registration form in this brochure and mail with the Institute fee.

Register for University of Minnesota Graduate Credit

Two semester graduate credits are available through Minneapolis. Registration for credit is accepted on the first day of the institute with tuition payment of $246 due in addition to tuition. Participants are required to pay the full Institute fee of $250.

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Questions:

Contact Jenna Baumgartner at 612-626-0606 or e-mail at baumgatn@umn.edu

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Registration Form

Registration Fees:

This course is approved for 2.1 credit hours (graduate students only) or 15 contact hours (in-service teachers only).

Register online or by mail

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Mail: If registering online, mail check to address stated

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