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This is the latest edition of the Child Accident Prevention Practice and Information Exchange Network Information Bulletin prepared by Children in Wales. It contains the latest news, research and reports from the field of Child Accident Prevention.

If you do not wish to receive this occasional e-briefing, please let us know by emailing [info@childreninwales.org.uk](mailto:info@childreninwales.org.uk)

If you feel your colleagues would benefit from this information, please forward.

**As the CHAPPIE Network has now been established for a year, we would be grateful if you could answer two quick questions on your language preference and whether you would be interested in a web forum.**

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## INQUIRIES

Health, Wellbeing and Local Government Committee: **The use and regulation of Sunbeds in Wales**

The Health, Wellbeing and Local Government Committee has agreed to undertake an inquiry into the use and regulation of sunbeds in Wales and is calling for those with an interest or expertise in this area to submit written evidence.

## RESEARCH

### **Preventing unintentional injury in children and adolescents--the importance of local injury data collection.**

*O'Carroll C, Egleston C, Nicholson AJ. Ir Med J 2009; 102(5): 152-4.*

The researchers sought to prospectively study all injuries in children and adolescents up to 16 years of age presenting to a regional Emergency Department (ED), to ascertain detailed injury patterns and to use this data to recommend injury prevention priorities.

### **A comparison of booster seat use in Canadian provinces with and without legislation.**

*Snowdon A, Rothman L, Slater M, Kolga C, Hussein A, Boase P, Howard A. Inj Prev 2009; 15(4): 230-3.*

This study aimed to describe restraint use among Canadian children aged 4-8 years, and compare booster seat use between provinces/territories with and without legislation.

### **Are school zones effective? An examination of motor vehicle versus child pedestrian crashes near schools.**

*Warsh J, Rothman L, Slater M, Steverango C, Howard A. Inj Prev 2009; 15(4): 226-9.*

This study aimed to analyse the relationships between factors related to school location and motor vehicle versus child pedestrian collisions

### **Vehicle improvements to reduce the number and severity of rear end crashes**

*RWG Anderson, MRJ Baldock. CASR Report Series December 2008*

This report reviews vehicle technology developed to reduce the incidence of rear end crashes and the whiplash injuries that may result.

### **Impediments to the use of child restraints**

*SA Edwards, RWG Anderson, LN Wundersitz. CASR Report Series February 2009*

This report looks at the findings of a focus group conducted to explore the social, educational and economic impediments preventing South Australian families from age-appropriate child restraint use.

### **Peer education's effects on preventing accidental injuries in middle school students.**

*Wang X, Zhu Y. Wei Sheng Yan Jiu 2009; 38(4): 449-51.*

This study discusses peer education's effects on averting accidental injuries among middle school students.

### **Parent's adherence to children's home-accident preventive measures.**

*Tsoumakas K, Dousis E, Mavridi F, Gremou A, Matziou V. Int Nurs Rev 2009; 56(3): 369-74.*

This study aimed to investigate parents' knowledge and practice of preventive measures concerning children's home accidents, as well as the factors affecting adherence.

## **Safe communities for children: insight from a pilot program for preventing unintentional injuries.**

*Korn L, Hemmo-Lotem M, Endy-Findling L. Int J Adolesc Med Health 2009; 21(2): 187-95.*

This study presents insights in safety promotion of community-based intervention programs, in preventing unintentional injury among children.

## **RESOURCES**

### Eurosafe: **Effective Measures in Injury Prevention**

This database provides relevant and accessible information on current knowledge about the effectiveness of preventive measures to enhance decision making in injury prevention.

### WHO: **Q&As: Injuries**

Questions and answers on injury prevention.

### WHO: **10 facts on injuries to children**

The five most common unintentional injuries to children and teenagers that cause death, as well as ways to reduce rates of injuries and save lives.

### WHO: **Fact Sheets**

Fact sheets on the main messages from the World report on child injury prevention.

## **BLIND CORDS**

### BBC: **Boy 'tangled in blind cord' dies**

A boy aged nearly two has died after he is understood to have become entangled in the cord of a window blind. (30/07/09)

### BBC: **Sheriff calls for blind cord ban**

A sheriff has warned that millions of homes across Britain with window blinds may contain a potentially lethal trap for young children. (30/05/09)

## EVENTS & TRAINING

### Events

#### **Injury Observatory for Britain & Ireland (IOBI) Bi-Annual Conference**

*24-25 September 2009, Cardiff*

This two-day injury prevention conference will give delegates from across the UK the opportunity to discuss and gain greater insight into Evaluation, Epidemiology, Research Findings, Accident Prevention tools and planning and How to engage policy makers.

#### **Wales third sector funding conference**

*07 October 2009, Swansea* This WCVA conference aims to provide voluntary organisations, large and small, with an overview of the current climate, information on new funding opportunities and access to representatives from some key funders of our sector.

#### **CHAPPIE Network Event**

*10 November 2009, Cardiff*

This network event will look in detail at how we evaluate home accident prevention work in Wales and how we can improve.

#### **European Child Home Safety Conference**

*2-3 November 2009, Stratford-upon-Avon*

RoSPA and the European Child Safety Alliance of EuroSafe have collaborated to present the first European conference devoted to child home safety, with a view to putting forward practical and effective solutions to this vital issue from across the continent.

#### **Children in Wales Annual Conference & AGM**

*24-25 November 2009*

#### **CHAPPIE Network Conference**

*9 March 2010, Cardiff*

More details will follow shortly but to register your interest in the meantime, please email [childsafety@childreninwales.org.uk](mailto:childsafety@childreninwales.org.uk)

### Training

#### **Reducing Home Accidents in Early Years - Effective Interventions**

8 October 2009, Cardiff

28 January 2010, Rhyl

9 February 2010, Carmarthen

This one-day participative training course draws on research and evidence-based interventions to help practitioners understand and address home accident prevention, focusing on the most serious or disabling accidents and methods of intervention.

## Effective Home Safety Equipment Schemes for Early Years

11 November 2009, Cardiff

3 March 2010, Rhyl

16 March 2010, Carmarthen

This practical training course will enable participants to identify effective home safety equipment for children under five and to understand the principle, practicalities and challenges of implementing and sustaining an effective home safety equipment scheme.

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**Thank you,  
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