

TENNESSEE

Core State Violence and Injury Prevention Program

BASE COMPONENT | \$250,000

OVERVIEW

Injuries are the leading cause of death for persons ages 1–44 in Tennessee. Tennessee is working to implement strategies to decrease injuries and violence by implementing evidence-based programs and strategies.

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Tennessee is addressing all four required focus areas using injury and violence prevention strategies.



Preventing child abuse and neglect: Tennessee is working to enhance safe sleep by providing training to nurses at birthing hospitals. The Tennessee Department of Health has partnered with 100 percent of birthing hospitals and five non-delivery hospitals across Tennessee to spread the safe sleep message to parents and caregivers by developing and implementing hospital policy and providing patients with educational services.



Preventing intimate partner violence/sexual violence: Tennessee is implementing [Coaching Boys into Men](#). This is an evidence-based program that engages athletic coaches as positive role models to deliver violence-prevention messages to young male athletes. The Tennessee Core SVIPP is recruiting and training coaches to implement this program.



Preventing traumatic brain injury (TBI): Tennessee is working to enhance implementation of its [Return to Play](#) law. They plan to disseminate upcoming CDC Mild Pediatric TBI Guidelines to stakeholders and partners across the state. Tennessee is also implementing [Safe Stars](#), an initiative that recognizes youth sports leagues throughout the state for providing the highest level of safety for their young athletes by exemplary implementation of policies around sports concussion and injury prevention.



Preventing motor vehicle crash injury and death: Tennessee is implementing [Checkpoints](#), an evidence-based program that educates parents about Graduated Driver Licensing policies and teen driving safety.

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