

# SAVIR plans for second national violence and injury research conference

The 2009 Society for Advancement of Violence and Injury Research National Meeting will take place in Atlanta, Georgia on March 5 and 6, 2009. The theme of the conference is "From Discovery to Practice: Innovative Translational Approaches to Injury Prevention and Care." The conference is cosponsored by the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, the Emory Center for Injury Control, and SAVIR. The conference will be held at the Emory Conference Center Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia.

In following the tradition set with the first SAVIR conference held at Ohio State University in 2007, this conference will bring together the research community to discuss cutting-edge methodological issues in the fields of violence and injuries. The conference will highlight a distinguished group of nationally and internationally noted speakers who will lead participants in engaging sessions focused on injury research and translational methods. The conference target audience includes injury researchers and those with a close

association with injury research, including epidemiologists, biostatisticians, engineers, economists, psychologists, clinicians, other health professionals, and students.

In addition to the scientific program, an evening reception will be held at the Carter Center on March 5, and will include appetizers, drinks, and entrance to the Carter Center museum. A pre-conference workshop sponsored by the SAVIR Training and Infrastructure Committee will be held on March 4, with a topic to be named shortly.

Information on the conference can be found at: <http://www.emorycenterforinjurycontrol.org/> and <http://www.savirweb.org/>.

Abstracts for scientific presentations and posters are due on October 31, 2008 at 17:00 EST. Only abstracts submitted via the online form will be considered. Abstracts are limited to 300 words and must be original research. Awards for best student/fellow, junior faculty, and faculty papers will be given out. Abstract instructions can be found at: [http://www.emorycenterforinjurycontrol.org/abstract\\_info.php](http://www.emorycenterforinjurycontrol.org/abstract_info.php)

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The SAVIR conference provides a unique opportunity for injury researchers to share their work, stay current with the field, meet new colleagues, and reconnect with old friends. The first SAVIR conference was, by all accounts, a resounding success. Please help us to make the 2009 conference the enriching and engaging experience that represents all our field has to offer by submitting an abstract and joining us in Atlanta next spring.

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