



Safe Kids Indiana

Summer 2010

2010 Indiana Injury Prevention Conference

The 2010 Indiana Injury Prevention Conference was held at University Place Conference Center and Hotel in downtown Indianapolis on May 13th and 14th. The event was sponsored by the Automotive Safety Program, Safe Kids Indiana, ICJI, Kohl's Center for Safe Transportation of Children, and State Farm Insurance. There were 169 participants on day one; 154, day two. As always, University Place served as a perfect venue for the conference. There were eight CEUs offered for those technicians who needed CPST sessions for recertification, and law enforcement officers could sign in for training hours as well.

Speakers for the conference included the following: Kristy Arbogast, The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia; Dan Barga, Dorel Juvenile Group; Don Boyle, Hope Special Needs Products; Dr. Marilyn Bull, Riley Hospital for Children; Dawn Daniels, Riley Hospital for Children; Vera Fullaway, Combi; Brandon Halleck, Safe Kids Vigo County; Carol Helminski, Graco; Katherine Hubanks, Kiddy USA; Kira Hudson; Tony Jerisha, The First Years; Hollie Lambert, Safe Kids Elkhart County; Dr. Kelsey Logan, Ohio State University Medical Center; Ron Melsner, Safe Kids St. Joseph County; Kent Newbright, Evenflo; Laura Novak, Kohl's Center for Safe Transportation of Children; Dr. Joseph O'Neil, Riley Hospital for Children; Julie Prom, Chicco; Dr. Richard Schreiner, Riley Hospital for Children; Sarah Tilton, Britax; Charlie Vits, IMMI; and Janell Yonkman, Kohl's Center for Safe Transportation of Children. They covered a variety of topics and the information gleaned from their presentations was educational.

The manufacturers were invited to exhibit both days of the conference. Attendees were able to visit the booths, ask questions, and see new vendor products. We extend sincere thanks to all of the manufacturers for donating door prizes for the raffle.

The Indianapolis Zoo once again hosted the car seat clinic following the first day of the conference. Despite some questionable weather earlier in the day, the two-hour event was a success. There were 67 volunteers who assisted families by checking 47 seats. There were 27 child restraints replaced. Thank you to all who volunteered!



**Save
the
Date!**

The 2011 Indiana Injury Prevention Conference has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 6th and Thursday, June 7th. The conference will once again be held at University Place Conference Center and Hotel in downtown Indianapolis.

International Walk to School Day

Join Safe Kids chapters and coalitions across the state as we celebrate International Walk to School Day on Wednesday, October 6th. Many school-aged children will be participating in the Walk this Way program, which is designed to promote pedestrian safety. Please consider hosting an event in your community as well.



Summer Safety Boot Camp

Safe Kids Indiana, FedEx, and the Marion County Traffic Safety Partnership will be hosting a summer safety boot camp in Pike Township with children ages 5 through 13 who are enrolled in the Loving Care Program. The camp will run from Monday, July 26th until Thursday, July 29th from 9am to 4pm. If you are interested in volunteering, contact autmnic@iupui.edu.

Safe Kids Indiana was awarded a grant through ICJI to promote child passenger safety by sponsoring mini-clinics with Safe Kids chapters. Each chapter was awarded \$500 to host a clinic in their community in either May or June. Those chapters participating include the following: Boone, Jefferson, Johnson, Kosciusko, Morgan, Perry, St. Joseph, and Vanderburgh/Warrick.



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