

# Safe Kids Indiana

SPRING 2015

## INDIANA SAFE KIDS COALITIONS:

ALLEN

BARTHOLOMEW

DELAWARE

ELKHART

HARRISON

INDIANAPOLIS

MONROE

NORTHWESTERN INDIANA (LAKE, PORTER, LAPORTE)

ORANGE

ST. JOSEPH

TIPPECANOE

VIGO

VANDEBURGH/WARRICK

WAYNE

## Safe Kids Coalitions Represented at Injury Prevention 101 Conference

The Indiana Injury Prevention Advisory Council (IPAC) hosted the Injury Prevention 101 Conference on March 13<sup>th</sup> at the Indiana Government Center with 61 attendees participating. This day-long conference featured speakers from around the state discussing strategies to build injury prevention programs. Dr. Jennifer Walthall, Deputy Health Commissioner, took time out of her day to welcome the group and to highlight the importance of community-based injury prevention programs.

Safe Kids Coalitions from all over the state were represented both in the audience as well

as on the stage as session speakers.

Congratulations to the following coalition coordinators for speaking at the Injury Prevention 101 Conference: Mary Raley, Safe Kids Vanderburgh/Warrick

Counties; Cara Wickens, Safe Kids Monroe County; Jennifer Homan, Safe Kids Northwestern Indiana. You did a wonderful job sharing your expertise in the field of injury prevention! IPAC plans to repeat the conference next year.



Cara Wickens and Lesley Lopossa, Safe Kids Monroe County, speaking at the Injury Prevention 101 Conference

## Safe Kids Day 2015

Various Safe Kids Coalitions across the state will be hosting a Safe Kids Day 2015 event. Safe Kids Worldwide will recognize the event on Sunday, April 26, 2015. Safe Kids Coalitions can host the event on any day of their choice in April or May 2015. You might see a local coalition hosting their event in your county in the months to come!

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## 2015 Injury Prevention Conference



Don't forget to register for the Injury Prevention Conference taking place on June 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> at the JW Marriott Indianapolis.

We will be hearing from several experts. Day One's sessions include: Children's Hospital of Philadelphia - "Pediatric Impact Biomechanics and ATD Biofidelity"; "Manufacturers' Panel 1"; and Safe Kids Worldwide - "Airbags." Day One will also include the Child Safety Advocate Awards Ceremony and Luncheon

as well as the car seat clinic at the Indianapolis Zoo. The car seat clinic is a great opportunity to get your seat check-offs done!

Day Two sessions include: Abbey's Hope Charitable Foundation - "Liability"; Various experts - "Speed Mentoring"; Children's Hospital of Philadelphia - "In and Around Cars"; and "Manufacturers" Panel 2."

Day Two will conclude with the highly regarded raffle with many fun prizes for those who are

still present.

The conference registration fee covers all sessions, conference materials, breakfast, and lunch (including the Awards Ceremony Luncheon). For more information about the Injury Prevention Conference, please contact Jody Yoder at [jodyoder@iu.edu](mailto:jodyoder@iu.edu). We hope to see you in June!



Dr. Hoffman speaking at the 2014 Conference

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Preventing

Injuries:

At Home,

At Play,

And On The

Way!

## Upcoming Observances

As the weather begins to warm up in the months to come, there are many national safety observances that will be taking place including National Playground Safety Week, National Bike Month and National Safe Boating Week.

For a full list, visit:

[http://www.nsc.org/NSCDocuments\\_Corporate/Safety-Observance-Calendar-2015.pdf](http://www.nsc.org/NSCDocuments_Corporate/Safety-Observance-Calendar-2015.pdf).

Safe Kids Indiana encourages you to help promote these observances. Your efforts can be as simple

as plugging them on your social media outlets to bring awareness or as involved as holding a community event in conjunction with the national observance. Just think how much of a combined impact we can make if we all put an effort into injury prevention awareness.

For questions about Safe Kids Coalitions,

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