

Exploring the Link Between Guns and Violence

Wednesday, July 10, 2013

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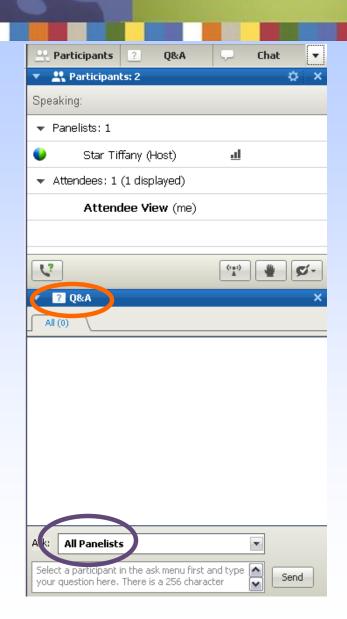
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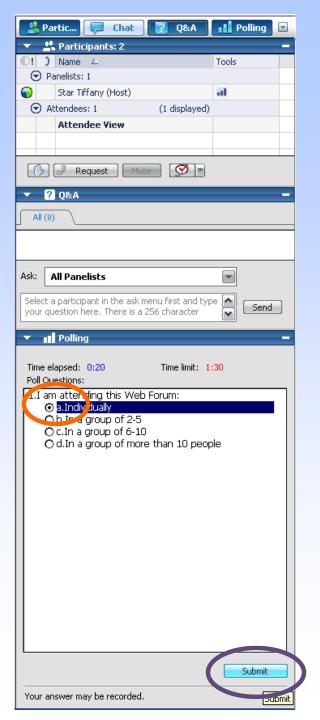
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Stephen Teret



David Hemenway



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Web Forum Objectives

- Provide an overview of gun violence and gun laws in the U.S.;
- Elaborate upon the link between guns, violence, the media and mental health using the current research and evidence; and
- Make the case for gun violence as a public health issue.
- Open discussion and Q&A session.

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Deborah Prothrow-Stith, MD

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Deborah Prothrow-Stith specializes in senior-level searches for academic medical centers, public health schools, healthcare systems and hospitals at Spencer Stuart. Prior to Spencer Stuart, Deborah served as the Massachusetts public health commissioner. In that role, she expanded treatment programs for AIDS patients, increased funding for drug rehabilitation and launched a statewide office to prevent youth violence. She is recognized as one of the creators of a nationwide movement to prevent violence, and her book *Deadly Consequences: How Violence Is Destroying Our Teenage Population and a Plan to Begin Solving the Problem* was the first to present the public health perspective on the topic to a mass audience. She is also the co-author of *Sugar and Spice and No Longer Nice: How We Can Stop Girls' Violence; Murder Is No Accident: Understanding and Preventing Youth Violence in America;* and *Health: Skills for Wellness*.

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David Hemenway, PhD

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David Hemenway, Ph.D., is an economist and Professor at Harvard School of Public Health and a former James Marsh Visiting Professor at Large at the University of Vermont. He is Director of the Harvard Injury Control Research Center and the Harvard Youth Violence Prevention Center. He received the Excellence in Science award from the injury and violence section of the American Public Health Association and fellowships from the Pew, Soros and Robert Wood Johnson foundations. In 2012 he was recognized by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as one of the twenty "most influential injury and violence professionals over the past 20 years." Dr. Hemenway has written 175 journal articles and is sole author of five books. Recent books include Private Guns Public Health (U Michigan Press 2006) and While We Were Sleeping: Success Stories in Injury and Violence Prevention (U California Press 2009). Dr. Hemenway has received ten Harvard teaching awards.

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Stephen Teret is a Professor of Health and Public Policy in the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, where he directs the Center for Law and the Public's Health. He is the founding Director of the Johns Hopkins Center for Gun Policy and Research. Professor Teret has spent more than three decades working on gun violence prevention, and has advised the federal government, as well as state and local governments of gun policy.

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Do you believe that gun violence is a public health issue?

- a. Yes, definitely
- b. Yes, but I'd like to explore the link more
- c. No, I don't see it as a public health issue



How do you believe that the morbidity and mortality associated with guns can be reduced? (choose all that apply)

- a. public policy directed at the sale of firearms
- b. public policy directed at the manufacture of firearms making them less lethal
- c. training and education
- d. Other (please type your response into Q&A)



Do you believe that the public health perspective is an important perspective in the discussion about the prevention of harm caused by firearms?

- a. Yes, very important
- b. Yes, somewhat important
- c. No, not important

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