## **FORGING NEW FRONTIERS 2023 >>>>**

Department of Transportation and its National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to enhance research on motor vehicle injuries and to develop programs to prevent them." In 2022, Kyran received the American Burn Association "Burn Prevention Award", which is a national award annually for his extensive work to make microwave oven doors child resistant. Kyran worked for over fifteen years with engineers, injury prevention specialists, and legislators to make all microwaves safe for children. He steps outside the traditional walls of medical research to promote child safety.

Kyran has been educating trainees and faculty on pediatric injury prevention through his innovative practices. Holding a car seat fitting for pediatric residents about to graduate from their program is one example. He arranged for certified car seat technicians to teach the residents how to install seats and place baby dolls into them appropriately. He has lectured at multiple academic centers regarding pedestrian safety and participated in a quality improvement collaborative to increase safe sleep for infants amongst eight community sites around the nation. Kyran has mentored many trainees, fellows, and faculty in research practices and injury prevention strategies.

We are honored to award Dr. Kyran Quinlan the 2023 Pioneer Award for his amazing accomplishments in injury prevention for children!

**Keynote Description:** While the last three decades have seen remarkable advances in child injury prevention, much work remains to be done to further protect children. Dr. Quinlan will touch on moments of inspiration from pioneers whose insights and advocacy have led to key advances in our field. He will share how clinical experiences have driven his own research and advocacy efforts. He sees us all as pioneers in this field. Sometimes our efforts are effective, sometimes less so. But together, we continue to chip away at the variety of child injury threats and try to make the world a safer place for kids.

**Learning Objectives:** 1. Appreciate several specific notable trends in child injury over the past 30 years. 2. Recognize those "pioneers" before us whose work had a significant impact on child safety. 3. Discuss the role of personal clinical experience in driving child injury prevention advocacy work.

4. Acknowledge the varied outcomes of our efforts in child injury prevention. 5. Look forward to some of the future child injury challenges we face in the years ahead.

## **Workshop Sessions**

WORKSHOP SESSION 1A

How to successfully develop a Youth Suicide Prevention Program in your emergency department... including a demonstration of Question, Persuade, and Refer Gatekeeper Training

Saturday, December 2, 2023, 1:30 PM to 2:45 PM



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Description: QPR stands for Question, Persuade, and Refer – the 3 simple steps anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide. Just like CPR, QPR is an emergency response to someone in crisis and can save lives. QPR is the most widely taught Gatekeeper training in the world. A gatekeeper is someone in a position to recognize a crisis and the warning signs that someone may be contemplating suicide. Gatekeepers can be anyone, but include parents, friends, neighbors, teachers, ministers, doctors, nurses, office supervisors, squad leaders, foremen, police officers, advisors, caseworkers, firefighters, and many others who are strategically positioned to recognize and refer someone at risk of suicide.

The first 20 participants will be eligible to participate in QPR and receive a booklet that contains all the material covered in the class, as well as a certificate of completion at no cost.

## **Objectives:**

- 1. Recognize the common causes of suicidal behavior
- 2. Recognize the warning signs of suicide
- 3. Identify local and national resources to help themselves or someone in crisis
- 4. Recognize opportunities to bring suicide prevention training to clinical and non-clinical team members within your institution.