



## COMMUNIQUE

### 11 FEBRUARY 2005 TELECONFERENCE

The 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Strategic Injury Prevention Partnership was held via teleconference on 11 February 2005. Members attending the meeting were Rod McClure (Co-Chair), Rae Scott (DoHA, AUST GOVT), James Harrison (AIHW), Pam Albany (NSW), Michael Tilse (QLD), Nicola Rabôt (VIC), Nicole Bennett (WA), Ron Somers (SA), Steven Skov (NT), Maureen O'Brien (ACT), Chris Costa (AIPN), Sandy Brinsdon (NZ). Amanda Daly (representing TAS), Kerry Ashbolt (representing Product Safety Policy Section, ACCC, AUST GOVT), and Annamaree Reisch and Samantha Diplock (SIPP Secretariat).

Apologies were received from John Scott (Co-Chair), Stan Bordeaux (TAS), and John Wunsch (Product Safety Policy Section, ACCC, AUST GOVT).

#### **National Injury Prevention Plans – Feedback from NPHP**

The SIPP Co-chair reported that the three national injury prevention plans, the *National Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion Plan: 2004-2014*, the *National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Safety Promotion Strategy*, and the *National Falls Prevention for Older People Plan: 2004 Onwards* received a favourable reception at the NPHP meeting on 20 January 2005. The Secretariat advised members that the plans will now be considered at the Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council (AHMAC) on 2 March 2005. The Australian Health Ministers' Conference, which was scheduled to be held in April 2005, has now been postponed to 28 July 2005. This will delay public release of the plans until August 2005.

#### **Development of the National Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion Plan: 2004-2014 Implementation Plan**

A project plan with timeframes for development of the implementation plan for the *National Injury Prevention and Safety Promotion Plan: 2004-2014* was discussed by members. A contractor will be engaged to assist in developing the framework and this will be distributed to SIPP members for comments and input prior to being publicly released. The contractor will also be provided with a copy of the 2001-2003 Plan and its evaluation report.





## **IPPSIG Update**

An Injury Prevention Population Surveys Interest Group (IPPSIG) has been established to further collaboration between SIPP and the Computer Assisted Telephone Interviewing Technical Reference Group (CATI-TRG). IPPSIG will promote and enable discussion on the development and use of population surveys to support injury prevention in Australia. The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) National Injury Surveillance Unit (NISU) is hosting IPPSIG. Members were advised that the list server for IPPSIG has been established, and that discussions have recently commenced. There was strong support for IPPSIG as it was viewed as an opportunity for broader involvement in the development and use of population surveys to support injury prevention in Australia.

## **Standards/Legislation Clearing House Project**

Members were advised that there were a number of problems associated with using the *National Stocktake of Australian Measures Designed to Prevent Non-intentional Injuries in Children* database. Whilst the database provides a catalogue of documents (including legislation, standards, regulations and codes of practice), the content of the data is not integrated and is therefore difficult to apply. Also, in order to update the database, a complete review would be required to check the quality of the existing data. Members therefore agreed to a revised proposal for this project which consists of three parts. Part 1 will involve benchmarking Australia against the rest of the world. Part 2 will consist of benchmarking Australian jurisdictions against each other (private jurisdictional reports), with the issues to be examined varying between jurisdictions. Each jurisdiction will receive a confidential report that highlights legislative or regulatory safety provisions where improvements could be made. Part 3 involves subscribing to overseas standards and ordering documents that are relevant to collective work. Jurisdictions have been invited to suggest documents that they would like to access for this component of the project. The need for a new title to reflect the new direction of this project was also discussed<sup>1</sup>.

## **Future Meetings**

The next meeting is to be held via teleconference in April 2005.

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<sup>1</sup> The Standards / Legislation Clearing House Project has since been renamed the "SIPP Collaborative Benchmarking Project".

