



## Letter from the Executive Director

Dear Strengthening,,

Often the symbol of the end of summer, Labor Day is celebrated with parties, parades and the people we love. It recognizes the contributions and accomplishments of American workers who fought to create safer working conditions, many of which disproportionately impact immigrants and Black and Brown communities. Though efforts for equity carry on – including housing, mental health resources, employment opportunities and more – SCY hopes that you take a moment to recognize the progress that has been made, stay safe and enjoy the last few days of the best season in Chicago.

Sincerely,  
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Executive Director  
Strengthening Chicago's Youth  
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## FEATURED ARTICLE: MIDWEST INJURY PREVENTION ALLIANCE

### 2022 Virtual MIPA Summit

Join this year's Midwest Injury Prevention Alliance Summit, as injury professionals from states in Federal Health and Human Services Region V (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, and Wisconsin) gather to work toward reducing unintentional and intentional injury– and violence–related death and disability.

VIRTUAL  
Wednesday, September 21, 2022  
8:30 AM – 3:30 PM



MIPA VIRTUAL SUMMIT SEPTEMBER 21, 2022



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## Current Considerations for Preventing Suicide in Children and Adolescents

In 2020, suicide was the second leading cause of death among individuals between 10 and 14 years old, and the third leading cause of death for individuals 15–24 years old. After providing a foundation for the problem this webinar will discuss what cultural and COVID considerations need to be made in order to provide the best case for children and adolescents; explore the role of parents, guardians, and other caregivers in suicide prevention, and talk through next steps and tools to effectively screen for suicide in this population.

VIRTUAL  
Tuesday, September 6, 2022  
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm  
Via Zoom



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## EXPLORING THE POWER OF YOUTH LEADERSHIP IN CREATING CONDITIONS FOR HEALTH AND EQUITY

### Hybrid Event Workshop

Join the [National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine](#) Roundtable on Population Health Improvement as it explores how young people are engaging in and leading efforts to improve the social, economic, and environmental factors that influence the health and equity of communities and the nation.

Monday, September 19, 2022

IN-PERSON  
9:00 AM – 4:30 PM (PDT)  
2000 Franklin Street  
Oakland, CA 94612

VIRTUAL  
11:00 am – 6:30 pm (CST)



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## WE WILL CHICAGO DRAFT PLAN INCLUDES TRAUMA-INFORMED POLICY INITIATIVES

### Request to Submit Input

[We Will Chicago](#) is the city's first citywide plan since 1966 and will serve as a guiding framework to help align public policy, legislative, and financial decisions with the needs and priorities of Chicago residents over the next

ten years. Included throughout the plan are several strategies to address issues related to trauma and foster the resilience and well-being of all Chicagoans.

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