



Statement on Firearm Injury

Firearm injuries result in significant morbidity and mortality in the United States. Emergency Physicians all too frequently provide care to those individuals injured following intentional and unintentional firearm-related injury. The Society for Academic Emergency Medicine (SAEM) believes that firearm injury is a public health problem deserving the urgent attention of the medical community.

SAEM's mission is "to lead the advancement of academic emergency medicine through education and research, advocacy and professional development." As such, SAEM supports the following efforts regarding firearm injury:

- Further research into the prevention and treatment of firearm injuries;
- Education in the prevention and treatment of firearm injuries; and
- Implementation of evidence-based interventions to prevent future firearm injuries.