

Title: Developing a Validated Screening Tool for Youth Violence

Key words: Screening, youth violence

Personal Educational Goals:

- Learn more about youth violence in the Bay Area
- Learn about city/county-wide change efforts related to youth violence efforts in San Francisco
- Gain experience with research/presentations

Project Impact Goals:

- Educate colleagues about youth violence and resources in the Bay Area
- Develop screening tool to improve identification of youth at risk for becoming victims/perpetrators of violence

Activities:

- Developed resident needs assessment
- Created a formal system of referral to Wraparound Project at SF General Hospital
- Designed and implemented trainings for faculty and residents on violence counseling & prevention
- Developed, implemented and trained residents on use of violence screening tool in conjunction with WA case managers
- Ran focus groups with local teens on how PCPs can screen for youth at risk for violence
- Presented focus groups as part of “works in progress” poster session at APA conference
- Designed and implemented pilot project for validated violence screening tool adopted from Children’s Hospital Denver
- Completed evaluation of pilot project with faculty and staff at SFGH

Outcome:

- Created formalized referral system between Wraparound Project and 6M clinic
- Pilot project demonstrated a comprehensive, computer based screening system for risk assessment is needed at SFGH teen clinic
- Shared work, lessons learned with other providers

Potential Future Projects:

I plan to continue working with at risk teens in Oakland through Children's Hospital in Oakland. I am using my newly developed research skills to help children with asthma in Oakland.