

Practicing gun responsibility and safe storage

AUTHOR(S): Gun Owners for Responsible Ownership, Oregon-based 501 c(3) organization.

PRESENTATION FORMAT: Oral Presentation

TOPIC/TARGET AUDIENCE: Public health educators, particularly in the violent injury prevention space

ABSTRACT: Gun violence remains a major cause of preventable death, outnumbering the number of lives lost to motor vehicle deaths each in Oregon. Unsafe storage and irresponsible ownership of firearms can lead directly to the unintended or accidental shooting of someone, as well as potentially creating access to a firearm for someone who is a danger to themselves and others. Gun Owners For Responsible Ownership is conducting a public education campaign around Oregon to educate fellow gun owners on safe storage and responsible gun practices. Conference attendees will likely be interested in bringing this presentation to their community.

OBJECTIVE(S):

- Demonstrate how to engage gun owners in a conversation on gun responsibility. Identify how to safety use and store firearms.
- Discuss how the presentation can be improved and adapted to reach diverse audiences across the state.

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