



## 2019 Northern NJ Safe Kids/Safe Communities Awards

Although our current state of social distancing canceled our 20th Anniversary Safe Kids Celebration and Awards Reception of Northern NJ Safe Kids/Safe Communities we celebrated with individual celebrations throughout the summer.

Take a minute to read about our Award Recipients:

### Organizational Award

**Carol Ann Giardelli** is the Director of Safe Kids New Jersey. Carol Ann has supported the growth and vision of Northern NJ Safe Kids over the last 20 years. The impact Northern NJ Safe Kids has had on our community would not have happened without the assistance of Carol Ann and the Lead Agencies of Safe Kids NJ and Safe Kids Worldwide.



Carol Ann Giardelli, Director of Safe Kids New Jersey (left) receives the Outstanding Organization Award for Safe Kids New Jersey from KJ Feury NNJ Safe Kids/Safe Communities Coordinator.

### Individual Awards

**Dave Barber**—Dave is a retired police chief from Millburn NJ, who over the last 20 years supported the CPS program of Northern NJ Safe Kids/Safe Communities. The Millburn Police Department under Dave's leadership was one of the first police departments in the state to have police officers certified as CPS Techs. Dave, also completed the CPS Tech Course and has been a "regular" tech at our car seat stations since his retirement.

**Shin Yi Shieh**—Shin Yi is a resident of Jersey City, mother of two young children, holds a PhD in Neuroscience and believes in sharing her knowledge as a CPS Tech. Shin Yi a true volunteer is an asset to our programming.

### Carl P. Valenziano MD Award for Injury Prevention

**Carol Jones** the Chief Nursing Officer of Morristown Medical Center was awarded the Carl P. Valenziano Award for Injury Prevention at the Management Meeting of MMC in August. Carol the first Trauma Nurse Manager of the MMC program continues to support the vision of Dr. Valenziano and the Injury Prevention Program. She is an advocate for Trauma and Injury Prevention on the local, regional and national level. Carol is a true friend and supporter of Northern NJ Safe Kids/Safe Communities.

*Congratulations to all our award recipients and to all our coalition members for taking the lead in injury prevention.*

## Fire Safety

It only takes two minutes for a fire to fill a home with black smoke or engulf it in flames. Most deadly fires occur at night. **Be Ready, Be Prepared.**

- ✓ Check Smoke Detectors
- ✓ Create and Practice a Fire Escape Plan
- ✓ In an emergency, leave home immediately.



### Fire Safety Checklist

#### TIPS FOR PARENTS

#### CHECK SMOKE ALARMS

- Make sure there is a working smoke alarm on every level of your home, inside bedrooms and near sleeping areas.
- Test smoke alarms every month.
- Replace smoke alarms every 10 years.

#### CREATE AND PRACTICE A FIRE ESCAPE PLAN

- Create a home fire escape plan with two ways out of every room.
- Practice a home fire drill at least twice a year with your family.
- Choose a place to meet outside that is a safe distance away from your home.

#### IN AN EMERGENCY, LEAVE HOME IMMEDIATELY

- Make sure your family leaves the home immediately if there is a fire.
- Choose the safest escape route. If there is a lot of smoke, get low and crawl out of the house as quickly as possible.
- Call 911 after you are a safe distance away from your home.

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# Buckle Up Northern NJ

## Northern NJ Safe Kids/Safe Communities Opens 6th Car Seat Inspection Station

On November 2nd, 2020 Northern NJ Safe Kids/Safe Communities opened its 6th Car Seat Inspection Station.

This station is a cooperative venture with the Denville Fire Department and St. Clare's Hospital.

The station will be open the 1st Monday of every month from 10 am - 1pm at the Main Street Fire House, 2 Indian Road in Denville across from the ACME Supermarket.

Be sure your car seat is installed correctly. Visit anyone of our stations. See schedule at [www.preventionworks-nj.org](http://www.preventionworks-nj.org)



L-R KJ Feury & Jackie Leach from NNJ Safe Kids/Safe Communities, Tom Andes Mayor of Denville, Anna Marie Osvold St. Clare's Maternal Child Educator



## A PARENT'S CHECKLIST FOR PREVENTING INJURIES

During the Coronavirus Pandemic



### SAFETY AT HOME — WHEN YOU'RE FOCUSING ON EVERYTHING AT ONCE

- Store household cleaning products safely to prevent poisoning and save the Poison Help number in your phone: 1-800-222-1222.
- Keep all medicine out of children's reach and sight, even medicine and vitamins you take every day.
- Make sure young children are within arm's reach of an adult during bath time and watch kids of all ages when they are swimming in backyard pools.
- Keep hot foods and beverages away from the edge of counters and tables.
- Separate toys by age and keep little game pieces away from little kids.
- Create a safe place for kids to play by installing safety gates on stairs and guards on windows to prevent falls, keeping small objects and cords to window blinds out of reach and securing top-heavy furniture and TVs.



### KIDS AROUND CARS — IF YOU HAVE TO DRIVE

- Walk all the way around your parked car to check for children.
- Prevent heatstroke by never leaving a young child alone in a car.
- Slow down and avoid distractions when driving, especially in neighborhoods.
- Keep car doors and trunks locked and keep key fobs out of reach.



### STAYING ACTIVE AND INJURY FREE — WHILE SOCIAL DISTANCING

- Look left, right and left again before crossing the street.
- When crossing a street, make eye contact with drivers.
- Put phones and headphones down when crossing the street.
- Wear a properly-fitted helmet when biking, skateboarding, riding a scooter or in-line skating.

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Zach Leach NNJ Safe Kids/Safe Communities, Jim Crothers Denville Fire Chief, KJ Feury NNJ Safe Kids/Safe Communities, Tom Andes Mayor of Denville, Anna Marie Osvold & Amy Hardy St. Clare's, Jackie Leach NNJ Safe Kids/Safe Communities.

**Congratulations Safe Kids Northern New Jersey on 20 years' service to the communities of  
Morris, Warren and Sussex Counties.**

Prevention Works is the official biannual newsletter of Northern NJ SAFE KIDS/Safe Communities.

We welcome articles of interest highlighting your community or organization.

Let us know how you have made your community a safe community.

If you have any comments or topics you would like to see covered, please feel free to contact

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