

# UNC injury research center receives \$4.8 million award from CDC

THE UNC INJURY PREVENTION RESEARCH CENTER HAS received \$4.8 million in renewed funding from the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The UNC center is one of 11 Injury Control and Research Centers (ICRC) addressing injury prevention in the U.S.

With the help of the grant, the center will add projects on dating violence, domestic violence, knee injuries among athletes, safety on college campuses and falls among older adults. The studies add to an array of ongoing projects addressing violence, and injuries in sports

and recreational activities, at work and in the home environment. The center also has a strong national focus on professional education.

“We are pleased to work with many partners in the state and throughout the world in reducing the enormous public health burden of injuries – a preventable problem that is responsible for more years of life lost and higher medical care expenses than any other health problem,” says center director Carol Runyan, PhD. Runyan is also a professor of health behavior and health education and an adjunct professor of epidemiology in the UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health and a professor of pediatrics in the UNC School of Medicine. ■

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