

Injury Prevention Special Interest Group Terms of Reference

Special Interest Group(SIG):	ATS Injury Prevention Special Interest Group
Chair(s):	Nicole Kelly is the Chair of the Injury Prevention SIG as nominated by the ATS Board A Co-chair can be appointed by the SIG members and endorsed by the ATS Board. *Responsibilities of the Chair:* To ensure ongoing communication with the ATS Board regarding activities of the SIG. To provide a brief report or minutes to the ATS board annually or as required.
Type and Purpose:	Trauma remains the leading cause of death in those under the age of 45 years in Australia and New Zealand (NZ). Of the many public health challenges facing clinicians daily, traumatic injury is one of the most significant. For those who survive traumatic injury, extensive recovery periods and long-term disabilities result in a reduced economic contribution and/or long-term economic liability imposed on health and social systems. In view of the magnitude of this problem, the role of trauma clinicians and effective trauma systems with adequate physical and human resources is pivotal. Injury is preventable and thus Injury Surveillance and Prevention Strategies are integral parts of the system and requires special focus. The ATS Injury Prevention Special Interest Group aims to bring together a range of members to adopt a collaborative approach in all facets of injury prevention and safety promotion and advise the ATS Board on research, injury surveillance, strategies and education related to injury prevention.
Scope and Delegations:	The mission of the ATS Injury Prevention Special Interest Group is compatible with the goals of the ATS.



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Membership:	Membership is open to any member of the ATS and the ATS also invite those who are not current ATS members who have a keen interest in Injury Prevention to participate in the activities of the SIG. Minimum attendance at meetings is expected at least 50% annually.
Meetings:	The SIG will mostly operate via email correspondence to distribute information and events relevant to Injury prevention and to seek input and feedback into Injury Prevention Initiatives and Documents. Meeting frequency The Chair will determine the frequency of SIG meetings, but the group will aim to meet at least quarterly and will be hosted via Microsoft Teams. Quorum Greater than 50% of the membership of the Committee. A record of attendance will be required as evidence of meetings. Meeting Minutes / Action Points An elected Secretary will take the minutes and circulate to the
Deliverables:	 Provide and facilitate an injury prevention culture within ATS. Promote inter-disciplinary and cross-disciplinary conversations on topical injury prevention and awareness issues to create synergies, Facilitate collaboration nationally and internationally to enhance partnerships, and to support the flow of new findings and applications across national boundaries. Identify national and international issues, aspects or topics for exploration and the development of new knowledge Provide advice and guidance to the ATS community on how to engage with Injury Prevention trends, events and initiatives. Support the development of initiatives and practices, such as smaller projects within the SIG and/or research/collaborative writing groups, to stimulate the advancement of Injury Prevention