

# Catch Up on PolicyLab's Global Teen Health Week Blog Posts

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Last week was the first-ever Global Teen Health Week. One of the ways that PolicyLab participated in this awareness event was by publishing a series of blog posts on pressing teen health issues. See below for all of our posts:

#### Youth Gun Violence Prevention: Solutions That Are In Range

Ruth Abaya, MD, MPH, an attending physician in the Department of Emergency Medicine at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, wrote a guest blog post about her experience treating victims of gun violence and solutions that could prevent the continuation of this epidemic.

## **Helping Teens Make Smart Decisions About Vaccination**

PolicyLab researcher <u>Kristen Feemster</u>, <u>MD</u>, <u>MPH</u>, <u>MSHP</u>, wrote a blog post that covers which vaccines are recommended for teens and how they decide whether to receive them.

## **Sweat Equity: How Exercise May Help Address Negative Health Impacts of Adversity**

Chris Renjilian, MD, MBE, an adolescent medicine fellow at CHOP, wrote a guest blog post that discussed efforts to examine how exercise could reduce many of the health risks posed by ACEs through a youth long-distance running program.

## A Dilemma in Suicide Prevention: Parents are Unaware of Their Teens' Suicidal Thoughts

PolicyLab researchers Rhonda Boyd, PhD, and Jason Jones, PhD, wrote a blog post that explores why parents are a vital resource to connect teens with care and how we can build a safety net around teens to prevent suicide.

#### How Can We Use the Emergency Department to Prevent Unintended Teen Pregnancies?

PolicyLab researcher Cynthia Mollen, MD, MSCE, and Melissa Miller, MD, associate professor of Pediatrics at Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City, Missouri, wrote a blog post that discussed why pediatric emergency room physicians are particularly well positioned to deliver contraception and contraceptive counseling to youth.

## What Data Can (and Can't) Teach Us about the Opioid Epidemic for Youth

PolicyLab Deputy Director Meredith Matone, DrPH, MHS, explains why high-quality data data sources are so important for finding evidence-based solutions to address the opioid epidemic.



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