


## Good practice for country leadership, infrastructure and capacity to support child injury prevention

Evidence statement	Transfer and Implementation points
<p><b>Where capacity building activities, such as conferences, workshops and continuing education programmes, have taken place significant benefits for injury prevention work have been found.</b><sup>2,85</sup></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Training and other support mechanisms can be essential to facilitating the uptake and implementation of national level policies at the local level.<sup>88</sup></li> </ul>
<p><b>National leadership is needed to establish direction and develop a vision of the future, develop change strategies, align people, inspire, energise.</b><sup>38,86-88</sup></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Managing change requires good leadership – in order to draw together and coordinate the component parts of effective injury prevention infrastructure and the resulting prevention strategies and to integrate outputs to ensure goals are met.<sup>88</sup></li> </ul>
<p><b>The collection and dissemination of data is vitally important in the monitoring and evaluation of injury prevention programmes and the development of policy and practice.</b><sup>2,28,29,38,70,86,89,90</sup></p> <p> <b>Case Example: All Wales Injury Surveillance System (AWISS), Wales, Page 78</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The use of local surveillance systems is essential to target interventions, motivate participants and evaluate interventions.<sup>89,90</sup></li> <li>- Data assists with the targeting of resources and activity to those identified with the greatest need.<sup>28,29</sup></li> <li>- Collecting data for all age groups may make more sense than a single age group as it may help ensure data are always seen as relevant.<sup>90</sup></li> <li>- Building a data system on existing systems reduces workload.<sup>89</sup></li> <li>- In settings where vital statistics and hospital-based data are non-existent or unreliable, community surveys may be the only source of information.<sup>90</sup></li> <li>- Common barriers include lack of commitment by involved individuals and agencies, privacy issues, lack of resources, lack of documented definitions, problems with data collection and recording mechanisms.<sup>28</sup></li> </ul>

