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In the fall of 2016, the AHA's Hospital Against Violence (HAV) initiative was created in recognition of the growing public health threat posed by violence. HAV supports AHA members and the health care field as they work to combat workplace and community violence by providing educational offerings, tools and resources; identifying national partnerships or coalitions; and supporting data and information-collection research.



### Community Violence >>>

Gun Violence ▲▲

Human Trafficking ▲▲

HAV recognizes that community violence is a public health issue and has prioritized resources on human trafficking and gun violence.

### <<< Workforce and Workplace Violence

Regarding Workforce and Workplace Violence, HAV works to highlight successful hospital programs and practices that are committed to continually making their workforce, patients, families and workplaces safer by promoting a culture of safety, mitigating risk and working together to prevent violence.

▲▲ Culture of Safety

▲▲ Mitigating Risk

▲▲ Violence Prevention

**#HAVhope National Day of Awareness** unites hospitals, health systems, nurses, doctors and other health professional across the country, as well as the local and national organizations they work with, to combat violence through the use of digital media.

#HAVhope provides an important visual demonstration that the health care community stands together, and with others in the community, against violence in our workplaces and communities.

For more information about the Hospitals Against Violence initiative, please contact Laura Castellanos at [lcastellanos@aha.org](mailto:lcastellanos@aha.org) and visit our website at [www.aha.org/PreventViolence](http://www.aha.org/PreventViolence).

