

## THE MAXWELL &amp; ELEANOR BLUM PATIENT AND FAMILY LEARNING CENTER

# This IS Our Lane: Gun Violence Prevention

Who is at risk for gun violence? What are the four categories of gun-related deaths in the United States? What are some specific state laws governing gun ownership and safety? Most importantly, what is safe gun storage? Please join Kimberly Smith Sheppard, RN, Meaghan Rudolph, PCNS, and Matthew Thomas, CPP, to get the answers to these questions and more.

**This online program is free and open to MGH staff, patients, and the general public.**

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**Date: Tuesday, October 19, 2021**  
**Time: 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM**

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**Featured Speaker:**  
**Kimberly Smith Sheppard, RN, BSN**

Kim has been a Clinical Research Nurse on White 12, the Translational Clinical Research Center(s) for nearly 20 years. She has been involved with gun violence prevention work since the Sandy Hook tragedy and is a principal investigator on gun violence prevention research at MGH. Kim is a co-founder of the MGH Gun Violence Prevention Coalition, a multidisciplinary committee dedicated to preventing firearm-related violence and promoting safety in the homes and communities of patients served through education, community engagement and research.



**Featured Speaker:**  
**Meaghan Rudolph, MS, RN,  
PMHCNS-BC**

Meaghan is a Psychiatric Clinical Nurse Specialist on the Translational Clinical Research Center(s) and outpatient psychiatry at MGH. She has over 15 years of experience at MGH on the inpatient medicine and psychiatry units, outpatient psychiatry, and is faculty in the Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner program at MGH Institute of Health Professions. She has been actively involved in nursing research and education on gun safety and is a member of the Nursing and Patient Care Services Gun Violence Prevention Planning Committee.



**Featured Speaker:**  
**Matthew Thomas, CPP**

Matt has been with MGH Police, Security and Outside Services for over 20 years as an officer, a supervisor and an investigator. Currently, he is the department's training, development and communications specialist, and is an active member of MGH's Domestic Violence Working Group, Men Against Abuse and Gun Violence Prevention Coalition. Matt graduated from the Northeast Regional Police Institute in 1995 and holds a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature from UMass Lowell. He has taught hundreds of classes on managing aggression, active shooter response, behavioral analysis and workplace safety, along with many other security-related topics. Matt is board certified in security management, holding the designation of Certified Protection Professional.

