

Society for Prevention Research (SPR)

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The Society for Prevention Research (SPR) is an organization dedicated to advancing scientific investigation on the etiology and prevention of social, physical and mental health, and academic problems and on the translation of that information to promote health and well-being. The multi-disciplinary membership of SPR is international and includes scientists, practitioners, advocates, administrators, and policy-makers who value the conduct and dissemination of prevention science worldwide. SPR sponsors an annual meeting to provide an important opportunity for sharing of research, practice and policy issues and findings related to prevention science. The SPR envisions a society in which evidenced-based programmes and policies are continuously applied to improve the health and well-being of citizens, fostering positive human development and citizens who lead productive lives, in caring relationships with others. Prevention Science is the official journal of the SPR and provides an interdisciplinary forum for new developments in the theory, research, and practice of prevention.

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Brenda Miller chairs the SPR International Task Force and was the past programme chair for the 2010 Annual Meeting entitled, "Prevention Scientists Promoting Global Health: Emerging Visions for Today and Tomorrow." Convening a pre-conference International Networking Forum each year at the Annual Meeting, the International Task Force is dedicated to promoting better worldwide collaboration among scientists, practitioners, and policy makers engaged in promoting global health. She is a senior scientist at the Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation's Prevention Research Center in Berkeley, California, United States. She serves as Principal Investigator on National Institutes of Health (NIH) grants that focus on family-based strategies for prevention both in the United States and in Thailand. She is also funded by NIH to examine risky behaviors and prevention strategies for young adults in club settings. Her prior research has focused on family violence, including intimate partner violence, child maltreatment, and childhood sexual abuse.