

**WHITE COATS
AGAINST GUN
VIOLENCE**

WEEK OF ACTION

**Tuesday 3/20 6-8 pm N-225
Film Screening: Under The Gun**

A documentary film about the state of gun violence and gun control laws in America.

Discussion to follow. Food provided

**Wednesday 3/21 12-1 pm HSW-302
Lunch Panel: Breaking The Cycle Of Violence**

Learn about the SF Wraparound project, a hospital-based youth violence prevention program

Food provided

**Thursday 3/22 6-8 pm N-217
Speaker Panel: The Role of Healthcare Providers in Gun
Violence Prevention**

Panel discussion with UCSF physicians, nurse practitioner, and community activists, moderated by Dr. Denise Davis

Food provided

**Saturday 3/24
March For Our Lives: San Francisco Rally
Civic Center Plaza 12:30 pm**

Intersection of Larkin and Fulton St.

ACT TODAY

YOU CAN take action to help make all communities safer from the threat of gun violence. Tell Congress to support legislation to reduce gun violence. Here's how to get started.

1. Who to Contact

Contact the congressional delegation from your home state or where you live now. Note: If you are living away from your home district, use your home address.

Find your Senators and Representative: www.govtrack.us/congress/members.

2. Craft Your Message

Tips for developing your message:

- Use what makes you unique to your advantage. Identify yourself as a medical student or provider. Personal stories are extremely valuable. Reference data (with sources!).
- Be professional. Passion is powerful, vitriol is not. (Consider using phrasing such as: "I understand this is your position, but I wanted to share with you my position.")
- Use language that builds coalition: "a bipartisan solution," or "common sense solution."

3. Reference #WhiteCoatsAgainstGunViolence Talking Points

Specific ask: Cosponsor / support H.R.4573: Gun Violence Research Act of 2017 (House)

End current restrictions on gun violence research, and fund such work at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The passage of the 1996 Dickey amendment and subsequent reduction in CDC funding has resulted in a significant lack of data to inform gun violence prevention efforts. Federally-funded research has played crucial roles in reducing deaths from car accidents and smoking, and it is time to take the same approach to reduce gun violence.

Specific ask: Cosponsor / support H.R.5087: Assault Weapons Ban of 2018 (House) / S.2095: Assault Weapons Ban of 2017 (Senate)

End the sale of semi-automatic rifles, including the assault-style rifle used in the Parkland shooting. Semiautomatic rifles have been used in 7 of 9 mass shootings in the US since Sandy Hook. The rate of mass shootings has increased by 183% since Congress let the 1994 Federal Assault Weapons Ban expire. Schools and communities are made no safer by the availability of these weapons.

Specific ask:

Require comprehensive background and mental health checks for all gun purchases, and end the gun show loophole that enables individuals to obtain guns with no background check and to sell guns with no license.