**International Society for Social Pediatrics & Child Health**

Dear colleagues and friends,

We are writing to invite you to attend the ISSOP annual meeting in Beirut (September 25-28) on the *Impact of Armed Conflict on Children*. And, to submit an abstract for presentation.

**Our Call for Abstracts is open until September 1st.**

The conference will provide a forum for defining how we as pediatricians, child health professionals, nurses, child advocates and all who are committed to the health and well-being of children, can respond personally and professionally to preventing and mitigating the impact of armed conflict on children.

As you can see from the Program, an extraordinary array of individuals, global and regional organizations, and societies have committed to participate. We need you there as well.

<https://partnershipforchildhealth.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/ISSOP2019-Program-June-6th.pdf>.

Just being there as child advocates will make a statement—to our professional societies, national governments, global organizations, and most importantly to children and families—that we care and are committed to respond in whatever ways we can.

*For some among us, our countries are perpetrators in the carnage being inflicted on children in many places in the world.  For others, our children and families are the victims. But for all, we are complicit unless our voices are heard, and our actions felt in response.*

**Please register at:** <https://partnershipforchildhealth.org/issop-registration/>.

**Abstract submissions at:** <https://partnershipforchildhealth.org/issop-abstracts/>

Please feel free to distribute this invitation, call for abstracts and program to colleagues and friends who might be interested and committed to address the global impact of armed conflict and violence on children.

Thank-you for what you do every day for children and families, and for your expertise and leadership in fulfilling the rights of children to optimal health and well-being.

With warmest regards,

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