

## **Steering Committee for the President's Research Initiative on Firearm Injury Prevention**

### **Mission**

To engage the breadth of expertise across the University of Michigan, with input from nonacademic stakeholders, to generate knowledge and advance solutions that will decrease firearm injury in the United States.

### **Executive Sponsorship**

Mark Schlissel, President  
Martin Philbert, Provost

### **Statement of Purpose for Steering Committee**

Building on the university's strengths in firearm injury prevention research, the Steering Committee will plan the launch of the multi-disciplinary U-M Firearm Injury Prevention Research Initiative.

### **Objectives**

The Steering Committee's objectives are to provide recommendations to the President on an overarching structure to lead the nation in the study and prevention of firearm injury and death. The Committee's charge will be to:

- a. Finalize the scope of the initiative and identify critical initial research questions;
- b. Develop the organizational structure for the initiative including oversight, governance, and administrative infrastructure;
- c. Recommend mission, leadership, staffing, and composition of internal and external advisory panels;
- d. Develop the metrics to track the initiative's success in producing data and knowledge that can inform the field, drive decisions for public safety, and implement effective prevention interventions and policies;
- e. Identify teams and faculty with relevant research and scholarship that will inform the initiative;
- f. Identify mechanisms to grow the pipeline and talent of research expertise in this field;
- g. Create a plan for initial institutional funding for the initiative.

### **Timeline**

Periodic updates to President Schlissel and final recommendations by April 2020.