Dear Colleagues,

Although the drowning mortality rate has decreased in Iran from ten years ago, it is still considered a serious health problem. Guilan University of Medical Sciences is hosting the 4th National Conference on Drowning Prevention from 7th to 8th of September 2021 which is the fourth one in this series. We once again present a conference about the drowning prevention challenge in Iran. In addition, the event focuses on the following topics: drowning surveillance, national drowning registry system, and how to best utilize primary care system for implementation of drowning prevention strategies. We are also pleased to announce that the accepted abstracts will be published in the Journal of Injury and Violence Research (JIVR).

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