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Billie Weiss, MPH, is an Associate Director of the Southern California Injury Prevention Research Center at the UCLA School of Public Health and the former director of the L.A. County Department of Health Services Injury and Violence Prevention Program and Executive Director Emeritus and founder of the Violence Prevention Coalition of Greater Los Angeles. She has authored numerous papers, three book chapters, and frequently makes presentations to scientific, professional and community conferences and meetings. She received a BS from Cal. State Fullerton, and a Master of Public Health in Epidemiology from UCLA.

Ms. Weiss' primary emphasis is "Violence as a Public Health Issue", including the epidemiology of gang homicides and assaults, intimate partner violence, pedestrian injuries among pre-school children, iron poisoning, drowning, evaluation of programs to reduce teen relationship and gang violence, and parenting for violence prevention. The Berkeley School of Public Health selected Ms. Weiss as Regional Public Health Hero, 2001, and the American Public Health Association, Injury Control and Emergency Health Services Section presented her a Public Service Award. She has been honored by Southern California Public Health Association, California Police Chiefs Association, Sarah Brady and the Brady Center to Prevent Handgun Violence, Black Probation Officers of Los Angeles, and has twice received the "Keep it Good in the Hood" Award. She has also received the "Dream Redeemer" award from Crenshaw High School, and the Milton Roemer Award from the California Public Health Association.