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The CAPFSA logo signifies the balance between cautious controlled behaviour and normal adventurous childhood activities and behaviour. A child’s life represents a balance between natural abandon of childhood and the essential controls that ensure the safety of the child. It is this precarious balance, which is captures in the logo of CAPFSA. The losses incurred when the balance is disturbed can be enormous.

VISION

A safer world for children
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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

It was a great privilege for me to have served as CAPFSA’s President for so many years. The Foundation has grown from its inception in the 1970’s to a vibrant national body, dedicated to teaching and research. Trauma and violence have become a global concern and it is in this field that CAPFSA has made so many meaningful contributions over the years. The achievements were many: the Foundation has the largest and most accurate national database for paediatric injuries. It has an extended teaching platform into the community and the research being conducted is goal directed to the needs of South Africa and her children. Significant changes in legislation spearheaded by CAPFSA have made the environment also safer for your children.

Over the years as with many other national organizations CAPFSA has had growth pains an unresolved issues, especially in securing finances and establishing a firm foothold in the rest of South Africa. As an organization we are very prominent in the Western Cape and in Gauteng. Despite limited resource and capacity the Gauteng Branch has been very active in child accident prevention. There is therefore a vast region still to be reached and educated in child accident prevention.

Much of the success of the Foundation rests on the foresight and shoulders of those that have gone before us. It is not difficult for me to step down as President, as I know that the reins will be taken over by young, competent, dedicated and enthusiastic men and women.

I would also want to express my sincerest appreciation to the staff that has served CAPFSA so wonderfully over the years and for The Provincial Administration for continued administrative and financial support.

H. Rode
National President
A Tribute to Professor Heinz Rode  

Professor Heinz Rode was one of the Founder Board Members of the Child Accident Prevention Foundation in the 70’s and for the last 10 years President of the Child Accident Prevention Foundation. In these capacities he has been a tireless Advocate for the Safety of South African Children. The Foundation will miss him duly but have no doubt he will continue to support us in his well-deserved retirement as an ongoing Board Member.

FOUNDER MEMBERS OF THE FOUNDATION

Prof H Rode with some of the CAPFSA Founder Members, Ms. L Roos, Prof. S Cywes, Dr. B de Wet, Mrs. J de Wet
The Child Accident Prevention Foundation of Southern Africa has had an exceptionally good year in 2006.

Our 3-tiered program of Research-Education-Advocacy has received a major boost by hosting the 15th International Safe Communities Conference from the 9 – 11 April 2006 in Cape Town.

“Communities have been successful in preventing communicable diseases with vaccinations. It is now time for Communities to prevent trauma, injuries and violence.” This was one of the Conference resolutions of the Conference “Creating a Safer Environment” organized by CAPFSA.

The Conference was a huge success, with almost 400 delegates, of which the majority came from abroad. Additionally, approximately 80 delegates traveled from the 8th International Safety Conference in Durban to Cape Town as part of the Travelling Safari Seminar.

The conference was designed with a specific focus on children and the 3 main themes included: Child Safety, Home Safety and School Safety within the Community. There was active involvement of High-level politicians and global leaders in the field of accident prevention.

Key note speakers included Prof Leif Svanstrom, Prof Mohamed Seedat, Minister Leonard Ramatlakane, Dr Margie Peden, Mr Erik Brekke, Prof Joon Pil Cho, Ms Carol Bower and Dr Max Vosskuhler.

There were over 200 papers presented divided over 8 parallel sessions and after intensive debate and deliberations over the 2 days, a number of statements were concluded from all activities and forwarded to the Press.

The Conference was an enormous task for our small team on the ground, and we are in particular very grateful to the Organizing and Scientific Committees, who were central in the very complex and intricate organization of this large international Conference.

Due to successful fundraising activities, the Conference ran at a significant profit financially and for the first time in approximately a decade CAPFSA is now in a (relative) comfortable financial situation.
More good news is coming up, with progressive partnership with international organizations such as Safe Kids Worldwide and the potential to organize more international conferences in the future.

CAPFSA has been going from strength to strength in 2006 and has a bright future ahead!

Sebastian van As
National Director
The Mission of the Child Accident Prevention Foundation of Southern Africa (CAPFSA) is to promote optimal health and development of all children in South Africa. CAPFSA aims to reduce and prevent intentional and unintentional injuries through research, education, environmental change and recommendations for legislation. To achieve this we work in co-operation with government, industry, non-governmental and community based organisations, community groups and individuals.

CAPFSA believes that every child has a right to grow and flourish in a safe environment without the threat of being hurt.

The specific objectives of the Foundation are:

1. The promotion of a general understanding of the nature, extent and cost of childhood injuries.
2. To raise community awareness of childhood safety and injury prevention.
3. To reduce frequency, minimize the severity, or prevent the occurrence of childhood injuries.
4. To serve as a resource centre to the communities, providing meaningful information and resources regarding childhood injuries and their prevention.
5. To serve as a scientific body of knowledge regarding childhood injuries and preventative methods.

6. To foster community involvement as a basis for child accident and injury prevention services.

7. To increase the levels of participation of all sectors of the community (government and private organisations).

8. To develop and implement injury prevention measures.

9. To lobby and motivate for safety standards and legislation regarding children’s products and safer environments.

This past year the Foundation continued investigating childhood accidents and ways of preventing them. In addition, CAPFSA also operated as a resource centre for the general public, and for those involved in preventative health education and environmental planning.

The Foundation continued to establish and maintain good working relations with various departments, organisations and individuals concerned with child safety, these include the Department of Health, Emergency Services, the Medical Research Council, Community Safety, UCT Children’s Institute and others.

The Foundation in line with other organisations around the world feels that safety education of both adults and children must go hand in hand with improving conditions in the environment and products used, before we can achieve a reduction in the high rate of fatal and disabling injuries to children in South Africa.
1. RESEARCH

Since 1991, CAPFSA has systematically kept a computerised database of all injured children presenting at the Red Cross Children’s Hospital Trauma Unit. This database currently has approximately 120,000 childhood injuries recorded.

The database serves the purpose of a surveillance system on childhood injuries. The database has been systematically analyzed for a large number of clinical and epidemiological studies relating to childhood injuries.

The Foundation continued to update and gather available statistics on childhood injuries and deaths.

The unit received numerous requests for Trauma Unit Injury data from medical students, nurses, educators, policymakers, research bodies, other injury prevention stakeholders and the media.

Analysis of various issues took place. This included pedestrian injuries, falls from bunk beds, firearm injuries, violence related injuries and falls from playground equipment, stab injuries, foreign body injuries, passenger injuries.

Seatbelt Observational Survey

During the week of 26 – 30 March 2007 CAPFSA together with the Road Safety Management section of the Department of Community Safety did and observational survey at the main gate of the Red Cross Children’s Hospital in Cape Town. Observations were also done at the Pre school / Crèche on the Red Cross Children’s hospital premises.

The aim of this survey was to observe how many children are buckled up and to utilize the results as part of the Seatbelt Campaign during and after the Global Road Safety Week. (Report available on request).
The 15th International Safe Communities Conference was held from the 9 – 11 April 2006 in Cape Town.

The setting was the Kramer Building on the Middle Campus of the University of Cape Town, at the foot of Table Mountain. This venue proved to be ideal for the numerous presentations, meetings, seminars and networking.

The Conference was a great success, with almost 400 delegates, of which the majority came from overseas. Delegates attending the conference were a mix of practitioners, scientists, politicians and policy makers as well as representatives from the Non-profit sector. A productive exchange of ideas and experiences as well as the development and sustainability of safety programmes were extensively discussed during the conference.

Approximately 80 delegates travelled from the 8th International Safety Conference in Durban to Cape Town as part of the Travelling Safari Seminar.

The conference kicked off with a splash on Sunday evening in African Tradition with significant involvement of the local politicians. Minister Ebrahim Rasool, Premier of the Western Cape Province, addressed and opened the conference on Sunday evening 9 April.
The programme was designed with a specific focus on children and the 3 main themes included:

- Child Safety,
- Home Safety and
- School Safety within the Community.

Keynote speakers

Keynote Speakers were selected from a wide range of international and national experts and included:

- Ms Carol Bouwer – Rapcan Cape Town South Africa
- Mr Erik Brekke – Vesta Insurance, Norway
- Ms Beverley Farinelli – SafeKids Worldwide – Washington DC
- Prof Alan Flisher – University of Cape Town, Cape Town South Africa
- Dr Wijaya Godakumbura – Sri Lanka
- Mr Vagn Ry Nielsen – Denmark
- Dr Margie Peden – WHO Geneva
- Dr Joon Pil Cho – Ajou University Hospital – Korea
- Min Leonard Ramatlakane – Community Safety – Cape Town South Africa
- Prof Mohammed Seedat – UNISA/ MRC Crime Violence and Injury Lead Programme – Johannesburg South Africa
- Ms Martha Stowe – Injury Prevention Centre, Dallas, USA
Over 200 papers were presented divided over 8 daily parallel sessions. Parallel themes included the following:

- Alcohol and Traffic
- Child Safety
- Infections
- Safe Sex
- Governance and Safety
- Surgery and Safety
- Trauma
- Advocacy
- Symposium – Farm Safety
- Symposium – Disaster Management
- Safety and vulnerability
- Injury prevention Initiative
- Safe Communities
- Violence
- Traffic Safety
- School safety
- Symposium – Safe Sports
- Injury Epidemiology

Three symposia on Farm Safety, Safe Sports and Disaster Management also took place. Over ninety (90) posters were presented over the two days.

Twelve organisations and companies displayed their products and programmes during the conference. Exhibitors included the following:

- Woolworths
- Johnson & Johnson
- ESKOM
- Paraffin Safety Association
- Child Accident Prevention Foundation
- Gun Free South Africa
- Department of Community Safety – Western Cape

After intensive debate and deliberations over the two days, a number of statements were concluded from all activities and forwarded to the Press:
The delegates from over 50 countries of the 15th International Safe Communities Conference in Cape Town stated that:

- Safety is a basic human right.
- Ninety percent of all injured children reside in low-income countries. Child safety is a neglected basic child right.
- A safe community is a basic community right. Community safety cannot be sanctioned on communities from the top downwards, but has to be earned by the communities themselves.
- Each Community can become a safer one with help of its internal sources only.
- The crucial role-players in creating safety are community members, the private and the public sectors. If these 3 stakeholders do not collaborate properly, the community, and in particular its children, will suffer.
- Involvement and active participation of community members at “grassroots” level is the most crucial component of a good safety program.
- Research spending on injury is only a fraction of that spent on conditions that do not involve trauma. This needs to be addressed as a matter of urgency. We call on scientific bodies and Governments to support research on evidence-based interventions to promote Community Safety.

Communities have been successful in preventing communicable diseases with vaccinations. It is now time for Communities to prevent trauma, injuries and violence.

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2. EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Summary of education and training activities and outputs by the Foundation.

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Lectures, presentations and workshops

The Foundation received numerous requests to present child safety education initiatives. More than 1500 individuals were reached through talks, workshops lectures and training. The following are some examples of talks and workshops that were conducted:

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CAPFSA participated in the Youth Environmental Schools (YES) Programme which ran from Monday 5th to Friday 9th June 2006. The Yes Programme is an initiative of the City of Cape Town in conjunction with the Western Cape Education Department (WCED). This year’s was the 8th successful event that reached more than 30 000 learners.

Four schools who had an interest in injury prevention booked CAPFSA for workshops. Most schools requested CAPFSA to do presentations on burn prevention.

The presentations were conducted in the Johnson & Johnson Hall at Red Cross Children’s Hospital with class numbers ranging from 50 to 70 learners.
The presentations were done in a workshop format that allowed students to take part in the learning process.

Learners from Chapel Street Primary School

Training at Zanokhanyo Training Centre-Khayelitsha

CAPFSA trained 180 women at the Zanokhanyo Training Centre in Khayelitsha. These unemployed women from this center were equipped with knowledge on how to prevent injuries in and around home. Trained delegates will take this information gained from CAPFSA and apply it in their homes once they finish with their five-week intensive training.

Training Courses

Funding that will be utilized to train 40 Early Childhood Development (ECD) Practitioners Council in the next annual year, was received from the Protea Sub Council of the City of Cape Town.
Child Health and Safety Training for Early Childhood Development Centers (ECD)

The aim of this Health and Safety Course for ECD Practitioners is to meet the health and safety needs of children in childcare facilities. It is therefore imperative that ECD staff should be trained and equipped with information on how to run a safe day-care facility. By the end of the course, delegates will be able to:

(a) State the importance of safe play and stimulation
(b) Discuss child development related to childhood accidents and prevention
(c) Identify relevant prevention modalities to prevent specific injuries in day care settings
(d) State the need for a health and safety representative and develop job functions of the latter
(e) Describe the present situations at their day-care facilities and identify hazards
(f) Draw up a check list relevant to their own childcare facility
(g) Describe hazards in and around the home
(h) Describe and analyse aspects that are required to liaise with children’s parents, guardians and families
(i) Describe and critically analyze emergency evacuation procedures and develop procedures for emergencies
(j) Develop and utilize medicine administration forms and procedures as well as accident/injury/incidence reporting
(k) Act on emergencies and injuries sustained in and around the school premises
(l) Identify and report child abuse and neglect
(m) Utilize resources and educate pre-schoolers on injury prevention
(n) Compile a comprehensive safety plan for a crèche/day care facility

ECD facilities have three months to implement information received at the course after which each facility will be visited and an assessment will be done on the minimum criteria for a health and safety plan. Once assessments are complete, child minders will receive a certificate.

In November 2006 twenty-two Early Childhood Development Practitioners received certificates after assessments and meeting the minimum safety criteria at the facilities they word. Course delegates found the course of great benefit to assist in setting up and running a safe and health ECD facility.

To quote Gaironisa Kader whom was one of the course delegates from Wittebome ECD center – Wynberg Cape Town.
“Thank you for the great job you did to raise the importance of Child Safety in a sector where a spate of safety problems occurred this year. To mention a few:

- A little toddler burnt to death in the Delft area
- A young child who died in its cot at a center in Surrey Estate in Cape Town

Thank you for the service you are rendering to the community and for being responsible for the formation of the Wynberg Early Childhood Development Forum.

Thank you for playing a major role in my personal development. I have developed a Curriculum and Quality Management Systems (QMS) with safety being the missing element. I can now complete what CAPFSA expect of me- to be of benefit to the community. I have no doubt you are on the right track.”

All course delegates made a child safety pledge in renewing their commitment to safeguarding the rights of children.

**Ekuhlaleni Community Health Project Training**

In conjunction with Metro District Health Services – Health Promotion CAPFSA trained delegates from Ekuhlaleni Community Health Projects. Ekuhlaleni Community Projects is a non-governmental organization based in Nyanga that provides training to preschools or day care facilities around the East Metropole.

Prior to the initiation of the training course, a needs analysis was conducted to determine the needs of these educators in the field of child safety and health. Based on the results of this analysis a two day programme was compiled with the first day looking at child safety and the second at child abuse and health issues.

**Child Safety Month – August 2006**

During Child Safety Month, Western Cape role players collaborated to promote child safety and encourage participation by the public and other role players to prevent intentional and unintentional injuries. This was achieved through a series of events, media focus and ongoing advocacy.

This year CAPFSA highlighted the dangers that children face daily in the home, the school, and on the road and during play in the community. This month further aimed to: provide clear and accurate safety information to the public; encourage local communities to take part in child safety activities and to encourage the media to provide positive coverage of the importance of child injury prevention.
Various activities took place during the month. This included: workshops, safety demonstrations, exhibitions, radio and television programmes and resource distributions. One of the main focus areas of CAPFSA for this month was burn prevention.

**Valhalla Park Exhibition**
CAPFSA in conjunction with other role players i.e. Department of Community safety – Traffic Safety, Paraffin Safety Association, ESKOM and Childline held a week long exhibition at Valhalla Park Library from 21 – 25 August 2006.

Schools from the community and community members visited the library to view the exhibitions. Safety presentations were also conducted by these organisations daily for the groups of learners that visited.

Michelle Grewelaar from the Valhalla Park Library co-ordinated the project and CAPFSA is grateful for this kind of initiative.

**Exhibitions at Groote Schuur and Red Cross Children’s Hospital**

Rukea Abdroef whom is a CAPFSA volunteer had a weeklong safety display from 7 – 11 August at Groote Schuur Hospital. This annual display received a lot of interest from medical students, staff and visitors who visit the hospital.

A month long display of safety messages was also visited by parents visiting the Red Cross Children’s Hospital.

**Child Injury Prevention Workshop**

The Department of Health (Health Promotion) and CAPFSA hosted a one-day workshop on Child Injury Prevention on 16 August at the Johnson & Johnson Hall, Red Cross Children’s Hospital. The focus of this workshop was on the prevention of and the immediate response to all types of burns experienced by children.
Ashley van Niekerk from the Medical Research Council, Crime Violence and Injury Lead Programme (CVILP) gave an overview on the incidence of burn injuries to children in the Western Cape and the risk factors associated with burns. Professor Heinz Rode gave delegates a practical overview of the immediate response to a burn injury and the importance of cooling a burn with cold water. Other topics on the programme were the Candle in Jar demonstrations by Sr. Schulman and Pumla Nyakaza from Red Cross Children’s Hospital, the Home Visitation Project (Arrie Odendaal, MRC CVILP) and the promotion of the “Cool a Burn” concept. Practical implementation and work shopping of the Cool a Burn concept and prevention intervention on burn injuries also received considerable attention.

Eighty Health Promoters, Nutrition advisers, IMCI co-ordinators, representatives of crèche associations and staff involved with promoting child health from NGO’s attended the workshop.

Delegates found the workshop informative and relevant and enjoyed the group interactions around burn prevention.

“Candle-in-a-Jar” demonstrations and distribution at Red Cross Children’s Hospital

Two of the main causes of shack fires are fallen paraffin stoves and fallen candles. People in informal settlements face huge emotional challenges and financial losses due to fire. One way in which candles can be used more safely is to place a candle cut in half in a recycled large glass jar filled one-third with dry sand. The sand will act as a fire extinguisher if the jar containing a lighted candle is knocked over. The sand also holds the candle upright, and the reflective surfaces of the glass jar increases the efficiency of the candlelight. This concept has been developed at The Red Cross Children’s Hospital and is known as the Candle Project.

The Candle Project was taken to Khayelitsha for trials in the community earlier that year, and during Child Safety Month it was demonstrated as part of safety education to parents/caregivers in the main Outpatient waiting areas of the Children’s Hospital, where it was very well received. Ten demonstration sessions were held, and 250 units consisting of a large glass jar, a measured volume of sand, and two candle halves were distributed.
Dorothy Schulman demonstrating a safer Candle

Parents in the main waiting areas of Red Cross Children’s Hospital Out Patients Department watched the Candle-in-a-Jar-Project demonstrations with keen interest. During the demonstrations about 250 jars with sand and candles were distributed to people living over a wide area of the Western Cape, from Vredenburg to Ocean View and George.

Parents, Community Leaders, school children and good neighbours came forward with offers to spread the message that a candle used in a jar with sand can save lives (if used correctly) and family homes from destruction. CAPFSA’s aim is that the Candle Project should be self-sustaining, as people adopt the habit of using recycled jars with sandy soil from their back yards in the jar to extinguish the candle flame should the jar be knocked over.

One of the advantages of the Candle Project is that it places no financial burden on families – it cost nothing to set up. The glass jar is recycled from household use. Even if families cannot afford to buy food products in glass jars, they could ask their employer for one or ask colleagues or friends.

The Candle Project is good for every one; we virtually all resort to candles during power outages or if the prepaid metre runs out of credit.

CAPFSA plans to take the Candle Project forward, by continuing education and demonstrations in informal settlements, and by approaching target groups, such as the Fire Department, Disaster Management CBO’s and NGO’s to carry the message, that a safer candle is a Candle in a Jar. (Report available on request)
Learn not to Burn Prevention Curriculum

CAPFSA is represented on the National Burn Prevention Reference Group. This group aims to develop appropriate preventative messages for children.

With financial support from the NFPA, this reference group is currently working on the development of a pre-school burn prevention curriculum “Learn not to Burn” for South Africa.

CAPFSA Gauteng

Gauteng Provincial Chairperson: Mrs. Jenny Clarke

The Gauteng Branch has been involved in the following:

- Media.
- Support for Professional Students regarding Child Safety.
- Massive continuation of Health and Safety Education.
- School Safety.
- Strong Government connection maintained despite lack of capacity and funding.

Media

Press releases and statements were sent to the media on a regular basis. The media served as a very important tool and enabled CAPFSA to reach out to various communities with information regarding accident prevention. The media have always been of great assistance to CAPFSA. Regular request were received from publications for articles on child safety.

More than R300 000 worth of free media were received, which assisted tremendously with advocacy for child safety. Unfortunately CAPFSA does not have access to all the publications and agencies that did focus on injury prevention issues submitted.
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**Website**

The CAPFSA Website (www.childsafe.org.za) serves as an important mouthpiece and educational tool for people interested in Child injury Prevention.

For the period 1 January 2006, until December 2006 there were 48 479 unique visitors and a far above average time spent per visit. These visitors viewed a total of 64 961 pages. There was a significant growth during the past year. The largest share of this traffic once again originated from the USA (84.21%) followed by South Africa (3.14%).

We would like to thank Neal Meaker from Alton Stanley Agencies – A web Design and CD Creation Company for the continued support of and creation of our website.

**Newsletter (CAPFSA REPORTER)**

CAPFSA printed and distributed four issues (4000 copies) of the CAPFSA Reporter Newsletter. The Reporter is CAPFSAs’ medium for conveying safety information and current local and international initiative on child safety and injury prevention to the public. Electronic copies of the Newsletter has also been made available to a wider target of health professionals, educators, clinics and hospitals, members of the public.
Resource Centre

The CAPFSA Resource Centre is based in the Staff Education Centre at the Red Cross Children’s Hospital. This Resource Centre contains a collection of local and international resources on child injury prevention and intentional and unintentional injuries, which have been collected over years.

Resources such as videos, slides, posters, brochures, activity sheets and lay and academic articles are available for use by the public. During the past year users included staff from various hospitals, students from tertiary institutions, scholars, parents, non-governmental and community based organisations, various government departments and other interested stakeholders.

Resource Dissemination

Educational resources

Aqua-Net sponsored the printing of a water safety educational leaflet. These leaflets were distributed on request at workshops and national exhibitions. The demand from the public for educational resources has been enormous but due to limited resources for distribution, CAPFSA could not always meet the demand for all requests received. The following educational leaflets are available from CAPFSA:

- Prevent Drowning
- Prevent Burns
- Prevent Poisoning
- Prevent Sexual Molestation
- Keep your family Savlon Safe
- A Safer Home for the whole family

3. ADVOCACY AND LEGISLATION

CAPFSA participates wherever possible in campaigns and is involved in lobbying around issues of child rights and injury prevention as they arise and become relevant.

Our involvement in legislative advocacy varies according to the development of state policies, programmes and legislation. We participate in the legislative process in South Africa by making submissions regarding new legislation while it is still in bill form.
Firearms Control

CAPFSA as a partner of the Gun Control Alliance made two submissions on the Firearms Control Amendment Bill. The Submissions was specifically aimed at strengthening gun control in South Africa. CAPFSAS’ submissions to the portfolio committee of Safety and Security in parliament focused specifically on gun control in children and key recommendations were made to strengthening the Firearms Control Act.

Violence at Schools

CAPFSA was invited to do a submission to the South African Human Rights Commission Public hearings on School based violence. This submission on School Based Violence in South Africa was presented at the public hearings in Parliament.

Paraffin Appliances

CAPFSA made recommendations for the compulsory standards for non-pressurized paraffin appliances, which were released in November 2006. CAPFSA also made specific recommendations for revised standards for pressure stoves, which it is hoped will be release as a mandatory standard.

Safe Packaging – Paraffin

CAPFSA endorsed the policy submitted by the MRC/ Unisa – Crime Violence and Injury Lead Programme titled. – “Change the package, Safe a Life: A Child’s Right to be safe from Paraffin Poisoning”.

Violence Prevention

Submission to Parliamentary Committee (2006), regarding violence prevention of vulnerable groups (Women and children).

Child Survival

CAPFSA participated in the Child Survival workshop in May 2006 and co-ordinated by the Children’s Institute of the University of Cape Town. During this workshop existing data was reviewed and key interventions required to ensure that South Africa meets its commitments on the survival and development of every child were defined.

CAPFSA participated in various campaigns during national health weeks and months i.e. Child Accident Prevention Month, International Children’s Day.
WHO’S WHO AT CAPFSA

NATIONAL PRESIDENT
Prof H. Rode (till December 2006)

NATIONAL DIRECTOR
Prof AB van As

NATIONAL BOARD (As on 31.04.2007)
Mr. W. Alexander
Mrs. J. Clarke
Prof. M. Jacobs
Mrs. P.K. De Villiers
Prof. H. Rode
Prof. A.B. van As
Mr. A. van Niekerk
Dr. T. Visser

ACCOUNTING OFFICER
Mr. Julian Hoffman

AUDITORS
McDowell, Caradoc Davies

STAFF STRUCTURE (WESTERN CAPE)
Ms. Giovanne Adams
Mrs. Nelmarie du Toit
Ms Pumla Nyakaza
Rukea Abdroef (Volunteer)
Fernando Adams (Part Time)

GAUTENG BRANCH
Mrs. Marilyn Barker
Dr. Marje Jobson
Prof. Roy Jobson
Mrs. Martha Bestenbier
Mrs. Debby Lake
Ms. Brenda Bihl
Mrs. Colette Mashigo
Mrs. Margot Brews
Mrs. Angela Mitikides
Prof. Judith Bruce
Mrs. Cecilia Phiri
Mrs. Veronica Charleston
Rev. Michelle Pilet
Mrs. Jenny Clarke
Mr. Sean Richter
Mrs. Judith Dardis
Mrs. Adèle Tjale
Prof. Konrad van Warmelo
Mrs. Beverley Elsley
Mrs. Jackie Wittuhn
Mrs. Marihet Infantino
Dr. Adrian McCann
Ms. Lisa Galvin
Christian Uitzinger
Jose Oliviera

Staff Structure: None
Relocated – Western Cape
Relocated – Eastern Cape
Active Member – Education
Active Member – Secretariat
Active Member
Member
Leave of Absence
Relocated – Singapore
Member
Member
Active Member
Active Member – Provincial Chairman
Member
Leave of Absence
Executive Member
Member
Leave of Absence
Non Active
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## CAPFSA MEMBERS

### 1 APRIL 2006 – 31 MARCH 2007

The following companies, organisations and individuals are CAPFSA members. Their membership not only expresses their support but is also proof of their commitment towards safety.

**Gold Member**

Woolworths

**Silver Members**

Aquachlor (pty) Ltd, HTH  
SANLAM

**Bronze Members**

Aqua-Net (Netking)  
Jika Foundation  
Just Imagine Consulting  
Medical Education Centre  
Nets for Africa

**Regular Members**

Rukea Abdroef – Cape Town  
Aquatots Swim Programme – Nell White  
P Benade – Noordburg  
Christopher Robin Pre-School – Cape Town  
Choice Care Training – Robyn Armstrong – Pietermaritzburg  
Communicare – Kraaifontein, Cape. J Bester  
Distell Bergkelder – Stellenbosch  
Emergi Care CC – Rene Westerveld  
FFH Skills Development – Yolandi Kirchner  
J. Hoffman – Cape Town  
LV Jedeiken – Cape Town  
Johnson & Johnson  
Kwaak Kwaak Nursery School – Gauteng  
Lindy’s Day Care – Johannesburg  
Moreletta Montessori – Pretoria  
Nooitgedacht Nursery School – Muldersdrift – Gauteng  
Sr Philbrick – Noordhoek  
H.L. Roth – Bloubergrand  
Risidale Primary – Roosenveldt Park  
Tjokkerland Nursery School – Menlo Park  
Vitallife – Bonny Cosslett – Gauteng
We would like to express our sincere gratitude to all individuals, companies, organizations and departments that supported CAPFSA’s work both financially and with other donations during 2006/2007.

ALTON SA (Website Support)

Aqua-Net

Astra Zeneca

Baby Sense

City Of Cape Town – Protea Sub Council

Department of Health – Health Promotion Gauteng

Department of Health – Health Promotion Western Cape

Department of Community Safety – Road Safety Management (Western Cape)

Eskom

Fuchs Foundation

Hth Institute

Julian Hoffman – Property Administrators

Johnson & Johnson

McDowell, Caradoc, Davies

Red Cross Children’s Hospital (Provincial Health – Western Cape)

Safe Kids Worldwide

Dorothy Schulman

Shoprite

Swedish International Development Agency

Woolworths
CHILD ACCIDENT PREVENTION FOUNDATION
Fundraising Act Registration Number: 003-467NPO

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
31 March 2007

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APPROVAL AND STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY

The Management Committee are responsible for the maintenance of adequate accounting records and the preparation and integrity of the financial statements and related information. The external auditors are responsible for independently auditing and reporting on the fair presentation of financial statements in conformity with International Auditing Standards. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Statements of General Accepted Accounting Practice and in the manner required by the Companies Act, 1973.

The Management Committee are also responsible for the organisation’s system of internal financial control. These are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance as to the reliability of the financial statements, and to adequately safeguard, verify and maintain accountability of assets, and to prevent and detect misstatement and loss. Nothing has come to the attention of the Management Committee to indicate that any material breakdown in the functioning of these controls, procedures and systems has occurred during the year under review.

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, since the Management Committee have every reason to believe that the organisation has adequate resources in place to continue in operation for the foreseeable future.

The annual financial statements set out on pages 3 to 7 were approved by the Management Committee on 23 April 2007 and are signed on their behalf by:

CHAIRMAN

HONORARY TREASURER
REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS
TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CHILD ACCIDENT PREVENTION FOUNDATION

We have audited the annual financial statements of The Child Accident Prevention Foundation set out on pages 3 to 6 for the year ended 31 March 2007. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Management Committee. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

Scope
We conducted our audit in accordance with statements of International Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the annual financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes also includes assessing the accounting policies used and any significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Qualification
In common with similar organisations, it is not feasible for the organisation to institute accounting controls over cash collections prior to the initial entry of the collections in the accounting records. Accordingly, it was impractical for us to extend our examination beyond receipts actually recorded.

Qualified audit opinion
Except for the effects of any adjustments which might have been necessary had it been possible for us to extend our examination of cash receipts, in our opinion the financial statements fairly present the financial position of the Foundation at 31 March 2007 and the results of its operations for the year then ended in accordance with South African Statements of Generally Accepted Accounting Practice and in the manner required by the Fund Raising Act, 1978 in South Africa.

McDowell, Caradoc Davies
Chartered Accountants (SA)
Registered Accountants and Auditors

31 October 2007
Cape Town
CHILD ACCIDENT PREVENTION FOUNDATION  
Fundraising Act Registration Number: 003-467NPO

BALANCE SHEET  
31 March 2007

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STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE  
For the year ended 31 March 2007

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**Expenditure**

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**Surplus/(loss) for the year**

| 358,942 | (37307) |
1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The annual financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis, in accordance with the South African Statements of Generally Accepted Practice and incorporate the following principal accounting policies which have been consistently applied in all material respects.

1.1 Fixed assets

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided on a straight line basis at 20% per annum.

1.2 Financial instruments

Financial instruments carried on the balance sheet include cash and cash, accounts receivable and accounts payable. These instruments are generally carried at their estimated fair value. The particular recognition methods adopted are disclosed in the individual policies associated with each item.

1.3 Revenue recognition

The organisation is a non-profit organisation, therefore revenue consists of donations received on a cash basis.

2. FIXED ASSETS

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| NET BOOK VALUE      | 33,063            | -           | -           | 33,054                    | 9                 |
3. DONATIONS RECEIVED

Cash 3,373

4. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

4.1 Credit risk management

Potential concentrations of credit risk consist principally of accounts receivable and short-term cash investments. At the year end the Management Committee did not consider there to be any significant concentration of credit risk which had not been adequately provided for.

4.2 Fair value of financial instruments

The carrying amounts of the financial assets and liabilities reported in the balance approximate fair values at year end.

5. TAXATION

No provision has been made for South African normal taxation as the Foundation is exempt from taxation in terms of Section 10 (1)(cN) of the Income Tax Act.

6. THE GAUTENG EDUCATION CONNECTION

The results of The Gauteng Education Connection have been supplied by them for incorporation into the results of The Child Accident Prevention Foundation as at the date of these financial statements.

7. INVESTMENTS

An amount of R188217.81 invested with Nedbank has been earmarked for the building of a Safety House.