years from primary schools to university students who were selected by a proportionate randomised population based sampling method, in 2008. Data was collected by a structured validated & reliable (r = 0.8) questionnaire, after a completed consent from the subjects.

Results Mean SD of age in children and young adults were 11.7, 1.6 and 20.74.3, respectively. Overall 50.7% were boys. Among girls (9–14 years), practice scores were higher than boys (p < 0.001), and among boys (15–30 years) attitude and practice scores were higher than girls (p < 0.02). Among high school students, attitude score was higher than primary schools' students (p < 0.043). Among scholarships, attitude and practice scores were higher than the others (p < 0.001). Knowledge & practice scores were higher in primary school pupil liaisons than middle school pupil liaisons (p < 0.003).

Conclusion These findings revealed the essential need for a comprehensive educational plan on traffic injuries, to enhance knowledge, change attitudes & improvement of practice.

KNOWLEDGE, ATTITUDE AND PRACTICE (KAP) OF CHILDREN & YOUNG ADULTS ON ROAD TRAFFIC INJURIES IN TEHRAN, IRAN

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Background Road traffic injuries have dramatically increased in previous decade in Iran. According to the literature, rate of road traffic injuries among children & young adults is high. The first step for an accurate planning is situational analysis of knowledge, attitude and practice **(**KAP) in road traffic injuries.

Objective Determining the KAP of road traffic injuries among children (9-14 years)& young adults (15–30 years) in Tehran-

Material and methods A descriptive study was performed among 304 Tehrani children(9–14) and 327 young adults(15–30)