

Legislators.....I write to you as a general surgeon, who in my training and practice saw a number

of gunshot wound., I have had a “carry permit” most of my life, and enjoyed many aspect of the

Shooting sports. The tragedy at Sandy Hook is unthinkable and opened a multitude of questions that you

now must struggle with. The gun, type, magazine are not the killers, but rather the deranged

persons holding it, this is where the emphasis should focus. Video games that give points for “kills”,

popular movies that glorify shooting and rampage, easily available to young minds, should be examined.

My wife and myself have gone to considerable ends to protect our home especially since

Cheshire home invasion. We have taken preventative home invasions and self defense courses and

practice our shooting skills. We are legal law-abiding gun owners and feel that we now must defend

ourselves in this realm. Work on mental health, education of the youth, greater in school protection.

If you must, more extensive background check, armed guards in schools, and leave the guns along.