

Dear All,

From what I have seen to date, it appears CT is undergoing one of the most thoughtful and thorough processes to address the fundamental issues underlying Newtown type tragedies including mental health and gun safety.

By way of background, I am a father of two girls aged 7 and 10 and tears come to my eyes when I look at them and think of Newtown. That being said, the answer to the problem is not simply further restrictions on guns. Since the people closest to mental health issues are mothers and fathers, affidavits should be obtained from all gun purchasers affirming there are no mental health issues in the house where the guns will be located, a gun safe is in place, and it will be utilized and locked. This sounds simple but maybe the mother of the Newtown shooter could have avoided the tragedy had these simple policies been in place.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Regards  
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