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During my surgical training, I worked as a surgeon in Dundee, Scotland. There, at a surgical meeting, other surgeons were flabbergasted that I had actually seen patients with gunshot wounds. I trained in Houston and Los Angeles and practiced in Portland and Vancouver. I have seen hundreds of gunshot wounds during my surgical career. At the Scotland meeting, it was only the surgeon from Belfast and I who had actually seen gunshot wounds. In America, we normalize gunshot injuries. Gunshots create an unspeakable amount of tissue damage. Anything you can legislate to decrease these tragic injuries will be beneficial.