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LOOKING BACK, MOVING FORWARD

Thank you and welcome to the 56th Annual AAS Conference in Portland, Oregon! We have a packed schedule over the next five days, and we hope that you spend time connecting with other attendees, sitting in on the incredible sessions and visiting our exhibit hall. This is an exciting time at AAS where, along with the guidance of our Board of Directors, we are looking to take AAS to new heights. To do that, we needed to bring in the right leader to steer the ship and I could not be happier to introduce our President and CEO, Leeann Sherman.



In a short period, Leeann has been able to strategically implement growth in all parts of AAS's mission work. Growth does not come easily, and it starts with having the right professionals in place to plan, produce and execute. From development and marketing to programs and community resources, AAS is primed and ready to take steps in the right direction.

Tony Coder

AAS Board of Directors, Chair

As many of you know, this is my first AAS Conference and I look forward to meeting everyone and experiencing the magic of this powerful conference. I have been told that the AAS Annual Conference is a family reunion bringing more than 1,300 members of the Suicidology community together to learn, connect and share. Just like you, I am here to learn and together we will **MAKE AN IMPACT** to support more individuals and families affected by suicide. Be sure to download the Conference app and visit our exhibitors.



Bringing you this amazing conference requires a lot of hard work, time and monies so indulge me in thanking our Conference Committee, Board of Directors, AAS Staff Team and our Investors for their commitment to an amazing event. Feel free to say hello and introduce yourself as your feedback is very important to me. Together, we can drive change and, ultimately, save more lives. Throughout the Conference, we will have an opportunity to look back on our past and with your support, make the appropriate adjustments that provide the field of Suicidology the tools and resources we need to inspire change.

Welcome to Portland!

Leeann Sherman, MPS, CAE

AAS President & Chief Executive Officer



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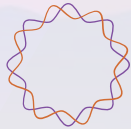
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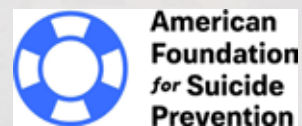
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As an attendee, you can also earn continuing education credits (CEUs)! We have various CE and CME credits through the following accrediting bodies:

Psychologists: The American Association of Suicidology (AAS) is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. AAS maintains responsibility for this program and its content. Maximum number of credits to be earned: 34.0. (Training & Certification Days: 18.75; Conference, 16.25).

Social Workers: This program is Approved by the National Association of Social Workers (Approval # 886455354-5120) for 23 continuing education contact hours.

Counselors: The American Association of Suicidology (AAS) has been approved by NBCC as an Approved Continuing Education Provider, ACEP No. 5607. Programs that do not qualify for NBCC credit are clearly identified. AAS is solely responsible for all aspects of the programs. Maximum number of credits to be earned: 34.00. (Training & Certification Day(s): 18.75; Conference, 16.25).

Physicians:

Accreditation: This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of University of Utah and the American Association of Suicidology. The University of Utah is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

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CONFERENCE AGENDA

Tuesday, April 18

11:00am – 6:00pm **Registration (Lobby LL1)**

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12:00pm – 8:30pm **RRSR: Essential Skills for Clinicians (Pre-registration Only) Day 1 (Salon I LL1 Ballroom)**
Facilitated by Robert Canning, Ph.D.

The Recognizing & Responding to Suicide Risk: Essential Skills for Clinicians (RRSR) curriculum provides an evidence-based, standardized set of skills to help clinicians identify chronic and acute suicidal risk factors, formulate level of risk to inform the standard of care and implement effective treatment plans. The course work includes best practices informed by AAS's subject matter experts who have decades of experience in recognizing and responding to suicide risk. Utilizing today's leading research, the curriculum ensures clinicians are provided with tools to be the most effective and knowledgeable in the field.

In Person CEs: 12.25 CME, APA, NBCC

Wednesday, April 19

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8:00am – 5:00pm **Psychological Autopsy Certification Training (Pre-registration Only) (Salon B LL1)**

Facilitated by Aisha T. McDonald, LMHC and Certified Trauma Expert

Psychological Autopsy Certification Training is designed for professionals to perform a psychological autopsy is a best practice postmortem data collection procedure performed in addition to any other official death examination. A psychological autopsy helps to reconstruct the proximate and distal contributing factors of an individual's death by suicide and document the most likely manner of death where that manner of death is equivocal and left undetermined by a medical examiner or coroner.

In Person CEs: 6.5 CME, APA, NBCC

8:00am – 5:00pm **Suicide Prevention in the Military Connected Community: A Day for Providers Track (Salon A LL1)**

Presented by Heidi Kraft, PhD, ABPP, Chief Clinical Officer

This session is intended for healthcare providers who treat members of the military-connected community, including active-duty service members, Veterans, and their families. Led by a Navy combat Veteran and clinical psychologist, the workshop will include instruction regarding Veteran-specific factors in suicide prevention conversations, discussion about safety planning and lethal means reduction conversations for this population, and provider emphasis, including conversations about vicarious trauma and clinicians as suicide survivors. This all-day workshop is intended to be very interactive and experiential.

In Person CEs: 6.5 CME, APA, NBCC

8:00am – 12:00pm **LivingWorks safeTALK: Suicide Alertness and Safety Connection Skills (Mount Hood 2nd Fl)**

Presented by Dr. Jenn Carson, DSW, Crisis Line Supervisor, Inland SoCal211 and Ivory Ricks, BA, Regional Training and Delivery Manager Lead, LivingWorks Education

Equips people to be more alert to persons thinking of suicide and better able to connect them with further help. The safe of safeTALK stands for suicide alertness for everyone. The TALK letters stand for the steps that one does to help a person with thoughts of suicide: Tell, Ask, Listen, and KeepSafe. In LivingWorks safeTALK, you will learn how to reach out to someone thinking about suicide and help them keep safe by promptly connecting them to further support. Your role as a connector is the main focus of this training. You will also be encouraged and empowered to talk openly with someone about suicide through a 4-step model. Overcoming personal and community attitudes to seeking and providing help is a key theme of this training.

After training, participants in the safeTALK program should be able to:

- ▲ Challenge attitudes that inhibit open talk about suicide.
- ▲ Recognize a person who might be having thoughts of suicide.
- ▲ Engage them in direct and open talk about suicide.
- ▲ Listen to the person's feelings about suicide to show that they are taken seriously.
- ▲ Move quickly to connect them with someone trained in suicide intervention.

All participants receive a safeTALK Certificate on completion of the pre-conference workshop.

In Person CEs: 4.0 CME, APA, NBCC

Crisis Services Continuum of Care Track (Columbia Hotel Main Lobby Area)

Presented by Shelby Rowe, MBA, Executive Director, and Julia Loewenthal, MSW, LICSW, Project Association, Suicide Prevention Resource Center, and 988; Richard McKeon, PhD, M.P.H., M.A., B.S., Chief, Suicide Prevention Branch and James Wright, LPC, Division Director, Crisis Operations, Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and Rusha Grinstead, MPH, 988 & Behavioral Health Crisis System Manager, Oregon Health Authority

The Crisis Services Continuum of Care offers learning opportunities for those within the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline Network and outside of the network, as the field has broadened its reach from local to national impact. This session offers insight into the critical work our local, state, and national crisis services do in our communities. Featuring upcoming work of the Suicide Prevention Resource Center, updates and information by the team at the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, national representatives from SAMHSA, and the rollout of 988 programming within the state of Oregon.

In Person CEs: 4.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

9:00am – 5:00pm Advancing Cultural and Racial Equity in Suicide Prevention Track (Mount St. Helens 2nd Fl)

Session Presenters Include: Janel Cubbage, MS, LCPC, MPH, Strategic Partnerships and Equity Program Manager, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health; Monica Guerrero Vazquez, MS, MPH, Executive Director, JHU Centro SOL; Akeem Modeste-James, MSW, PhD Student, Graduate School of Social Work, University of Denver; Carolina Velez-Grau, PhD, LCSW, Assistant Professor, Boston College School of Social Work; Alice Jordan Miles, MS Ed, Director, Purdue University Fort Wayne-Behavioral Health and Family Studies Institute; Leslie Adams, PhD, MPH, Assistant Professor, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health; Allyson Goto, BA, Director of Programming and Pata Suyemoto, PhD, Associate Director of Equity, National Asian American Pacific Islander Mental Health Association (NAAPIMHA); Brandon J. Johnson, MHS, MCHES, Acting Branch Chief of the Suicide Prevention Branch, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Admin (SAMHSA); and Jen Kelliher, BA, Managing Director at Massachusetts Coalition for Suicide Prevention (MCSP) Alliance for Equity

As a field, we have begun to acknowledge that we have work to do in diversifying perspectives and approaches to suicide prevention. To take an intentional step towards advancing this goal, the Advancing Cultural and Racial Equity in Suicide Prevention full-day session will center the lived experiences, work, and scholarship of ethn racially minoritized people in the suicide prevention space. Presenters will share their knowledge and experience(s) of suicide prevention with ethn racially minoritized communities as well as programs and interventions that have been specifically developed to address important cultural nuance in working with minoritized populations. The pre-conference will also include roundtable discussions about advancing cultural and racial equity in suicide prevention with the goal of developing the next steps and recommendations for the field

In Person CEs: 6.5 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

9:00am – 5:30pm RRSR: Essential Skills for Clinicians (Pre-registration Only) Day 2 (Salon I LL1 Ballroom)

Facilitated by Robert Canning, Ph.D.

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In Person CEs: Continuation of Day 1

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10:00am – 5:00pm Oregon CALM – Counseling on Access to Lethal Means (Douglas Fir 3rd Fl)

Presented by Michelle Bangen, MPH, CHES, Co-founder and Charlotte A. Lumby, RN, CCRN, Co-founder Incite Agency for Change.

Oregon CALM is an interactive training developed to assist medical, clinical, and other direct service providers with Lethal Means Counseling using an informed, collaborative, culturally responsive approach that respects firearm ownership values. The Oregon CALM curriculum has been adapted with permission, maintaining fidelity to the National CALM curriculum. This adaptation includes an additional module with components of Addressing Firearm Safety with Patients at Risk of Suicide: A Course for Healthcare Providers in Rural Areas, as well as several new interactive content delivery methods.

While added content focuses on Oregon and lessons learned are based on research with rural firearm owners, the information and skills gained are widely applicable to supporting all individuals at risk for suicide and are valuable regardless of locale. Oregon CALM is neither anti-gun nor anti-medication and welcomes those who may own firearms and those who may not. Given the focus on lethal means counseling, course content and discussions will cover the topics of means and methods in depth. Though not a requirement, previous suicide prevention training is recommended, as this course does not thoroughly cover introductory topics like gatekeeper skills, asking the question, and risk assessment.

In Person CEs: 6.0 CME, APA, NBCC

12:30pm – 3:30pm Visit Lines for Life HQ! (Pre-registration Suggested: Space is Limited, Transportation Provided) (All registered attendees must report at 12:05pm at the Southeast corner of the Portland Marriott at the corner of Clay Street & SW Naito Parkway. To access this staging area, guests should exit the main hotel entrance, turn right and proceed to the nearest corner of the hotel. This location is along the window line of the hotel's Proof Reader restaurant. Bus returns at 4:00pm to the Marriott. There will not be a separate bus for those who miss it.)

Did you know that Lines for Life is not only a servicer for the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline and home of the Youthline, but operates and answers more than 32 lines—including Oregon's Senior Loneliness Line and Racial Equity Support Line? Lines for Life invites you to visit our Portland headquarters as a pre-conference networking opportunity!

Learn more about our helplines, as well as our community & prevention projects, such as:

- ▲ *Suicide Rapid Response* - an effort to limit the risk of contagion in communities following the death of a youth by suicide by providing immediate crisis services.
- ▲ *Helpers Wellness Initiative* – a program created in the height of COVID-19 to address burnout amongst the behavioral health workforces and provide spaces for healing.

The visit will also include a presentation and panel with Youthline volunteers and refreshments from local Portland eateries.

1:00pm – 5:00pm Wellness & Recovery Room (Open to All Attendees) (Belmont, Laurelhurst & Hawthorne 2nd Fl)

Sponsored by the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation, the Wellness and Recovery Room offers a variety of activities for you to decompress, try new tools for your toolbox, and inspiration to take back into your own community. According to the Copeland Center for Wellness and Recovery, "Wellness Tools are things we do to keep ourselves well, and the things we do to help ourselves feel better when we are not feeling well. Most of them are simple, safe, free and non-invasive." The purpose of the Wellness and Recovery Room is to provide a safe space to decompress after learning about suicide and suicide prevention. Conference participants will be encouraged to visit the room and practice using some of the mental health wellness tools from our toolboxes.

Upstream Strength-Based Prevention: Exploring and Experiencing the Sources of Strength Model (Columbia Hotel Main Lobby Area)

Presented by Scott LoMurray, MBA, CEO & Executive Director of Sources of Strength; Liz Thorne, MPH, Director, Matchstick Consulting; and Shanda Hochstetler, MSW, Youth Suicide Prevention Program Coordinator Oregon Health Authority

Sources of Strength is an evidence-based upstream prevention model that has been working to prevent suicide and other adverse outcomes in communities across the United States and Canada for 25 years. This model takes a strength-based approach to the work of prevention and mental health promotion by utilizing a protective factor framework and social diffusion model to create population level change in health norms. The evidence-based Sources of Strength program has been shown to increase population level health norms associated with reducing risk of suicide. This workshop will introduce participants to the Sources of Strength model, help attendees engage and apply the approach to their own lives, and provide opportunities to hear how Sources looks in the real world.

In Person CEs: 4.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

Combating Law Enforcement Suicide: The National Suicide Awareness for Law Enforcement (SAFLEO) (Meadowlark 3rd Fl)

Presented by John Bouthillette, Chief (ret.), Senior Research Associate/Manager, Field Support Services and Sonia Quiñones, Chief (ret.), Senior Research Associate, Institute for Intergovernmental Research and Victor Powell, Instructor, National Suicide Awareness for Law Enforcement Officers (SAFLEO) Program

This National Suicide Awareness for Law Enforcement Officers (SAFLEO) Program presentation is designed to heighten the awareness of the problem of suicide in law enforcement and prevent officer deaths by suicide.

The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) believes that the law enforcement community deserves better access to officer wellness resources and suicide prevention strategies. It has created a multifaceted approach to address law enforcement suicide.

Effective suicide prevention training must have a comprehensive approach, focusing on occupational risks and support from law enforcement agencies, colleagues, clinicians, families, and friends. This goes beyond being just an agency responsibility. We all must make this issue a priority; it is critical and could mean the difference between life and death.

In Person CEs: 4.0 CME, APA, NBCC

1:00pm – 6:00pm



Healing After Suicide Loss Summit (In-Person and Live Streaming; Separate Registration is Available) (Salon G & Salon I LL1)

Sessions Presented by Annemarie Matulis, Founder, A Voice at the Table; Tracy A. Oeser, BA and MS in Psychology with Emphasis in Life Coaching, Chief Executive Officer, Journey Thru Grief; Judy Albelo, Loss Survivor Division Chair and Healing After Suicide Loss Summit Chair; Jacque Christmas, MPA, BSW, Fatality Review Coordinator, Missouri Department of Health; Tracey L. Medeiros, BA, PSY, ADD, Co-Founder, A Voice at the Table; Sarah Gaer, MA, Consultant, SarahGaer.com; Joan S. Hoff, Board Member, American Foundation for Suicide Prevention; and Shannon Donnicks, Director, Support Services for Loss Survivors, American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

The Summit brings together the voices of those within suicidology to bring forth an event with purpose that positively impacts attendees. Leaders, speakers, caregivers, supporters, support group facilitators, mental health professionals and loss survivors meet in one place, for one day to focus on the work of healing. This day affords us the ability to build upon and strengthen the loss survivor community through impactful speakers, interactive introspective exercises and programs tailored to bring forth hope, healing, and support. The goal being to have an impactful and purposeful event where attendees can leave with tools that will assist them on their individual journeys. Our goal being that through this event and its attendees, the momentum of healing can continue to grow and expand.

In Person CEs: 4.0 CME, APA, NBCC

Live Stream CEs: 4.0 CME, APA, NBCC

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5:00pm – 7:00pm 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline Network Reception (Crisis Centers Only) (Salon E & Salon F LL1)

Join the 988 Lifeline staff for a casual end of day gathering to catch up in person after some time apart! Wine, beer, soda, and snacks will be provided.

5:00pm – 8:00pm LivingWorks Education 40th Anniversary Celebration (Mount Hood 2nd Fl)

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8:00am – 9:30am Opening General Session (Ballroom LL1)

Remarks from AAS Board Chair and Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation Executive Director, Tony Coder and AAS President & Chief Executive Officer Leeann Sherman, MPS, CAE

The Art of Community (Ballroom LL1)

Presented by Alfonso Ramirez, MA, Director of Behavioral Health Equity, Oregon Health Authority

A brief introduction to the Art of Community reflecting on all eight skills and the why, the what, and the how.



The Power of Deep Listening (Ballroom LL1)

Presented by Maree Toombs, PhD, Professor Indigenous Health, University of Sydney

Australia has one of the highest rates of suicide within its Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities anywhere in the world. I-ASIST has been developed with over 94 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities covering almost every State and Territory in Australia. Since its inception through a National Health and Medical Research project back in 2014, we have trained over 10,000 people and kept countless others safe from suicide.

This presentation will tell story, the story of what is possible when First Nations communities come together and build their own self-determination and leadership in creating suicide safe communities. As well articulated by one of our trained Aboriginal Elders... 'Our Children do not kill themselves between the hours of nine and five. We need to have skills to do suicide intervention in real time and not be reliant on a service provider who does not know our communities and culture.

In Person CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

Live Stream CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

9:40am – 10:40am



988 and Behavioral Health Crisis Services: Update, Challenges, and Opportunities (Ballroom LL1)

Presented by Richard McKeon, PhD, M.P.H., M.A., B.S., Chief, Suicide Prevention Branch and James Wright, LPC, Division Director, Crisis Operations, SAMHSA and Michelle Sclater, Juris Doctorate, Senior Counsel Number Administration/988 Team Lead, Affiliation Federal Communications Commission

This plenary will provide an update on 988 implementation and the role of 988 in developing efforts to transform behavioral health crisis services nationally. The update will include SAMHSA, FCC, and VCL (VCL pending confirmation) activities including recent statutory and regulatory developments with potential long-term implications. Progress toward strengthening 988 Lifeline centers and their connections to other critical services including mobile crisis, crisis stabilization units, 911 PSAPs, and outpatient services such as Certified Community Behavioral Health Centers will be presented. Advances in equity, including American Indian and LGBTQ youth, will also be highlighted.

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10:45am – 11:45am



Reducing Social Isolation and Suicidality in Older Adults: An RCT of the BE WITH Structured Warm Calling Program (Ballroom LL1)

Presented by Laura Shannonhouse, PhD, LPC, NCC, Associate Professor, Georgia State University and Yung Wei Dennis Lin, PhD, NCC, Associate Professor, New Jersey University

In short, in this workshop, the prevalence and implications of social isolation, loneliness, and elevated suicidality (SILES) among older adults is provided, as well as an overview of techniques and best practices that can be used to address SILES in homebound, diverse, at-risk, isolated older adults. Then, we quantify the effect of the BE WITH program (in aggregate and on an individual call basis) at ameliorating those constructs of SILES. The results of this clinical trial will enable us to learn more about the impact of lay providers (aging services volunteers) that serve as "natural helpers" offers measurable outcomes for older adults who are isolated and may be considering suicide. Implications for local, state, and national impact are discussed along with practical procedures for how to replicate this programming.

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11:45am-6:30pm Exhibitor Hours (Expo Level)

12:15pm – 1:00pm AAS Annual Member Meeting and Luncheon (Ballroom LL1)

All members of the American Association of Suicidology are welcome to attend this event to network with peers and fellow members while being provided an overview of the organization's happenings and cast your ballot for member business.

12:15pm – 1:00pm Networking Lite Lunch with Exhibitors and Poster Presentations (Expo Level)

If you are not an AAS Member and looking for how to spend your lunch time, consider visiting our amazing exhibitors while enjoying various food options to fuel you before the afternoon sessions begin. All exhibitors will be looking forward to visiting and sharing their information and stories as you will surely do as well.

Visit the Poster Presentations along the walls and chat with those who are ready to chat about their work on the spot. This is an easy and enjoyable way to learn more about innovations, scientific research and more from others in the field.

1:15pm – 2:15pm ReclaimAsian: Making Asian American Experiences Visible for Action (Columbia Hotel Main Lobby)
Presented by Pata Suyemoto, PhD, Associate Director of Equity, National Asian American Pacific Islander Mental Health Association (NAAPIMHA) and Susie [수지] Reece, Director of Lived Experience Initiatives, Suicide Prevention Resource Center

Through creative storytelling, this thought leader session will explore the intersections of Asian American identities, lived experiences, and activism through the work of national networks such as the NAAPIEN (National Asian American Pacific Empowerment Network) and LEAC (Lived Experience Advisory Committee).

In Person CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW



Breaking the Stigma Around Mental Health Issues in Law Enforcement and First Responders (Ballroom LL1)

Presented by Officer Harry Dunn, PFC, United States Capitol Police

Mental health stigma, and the shame associated with needing mental health care, is preventing law enforcement and first responders from getting the mental health care they need. This talk will help identify initiatives to help prevent the mental health stigma and create a healthy work environment.

In Person CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

Live Stream CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

Suicide and Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (Mount Hood 2nd Fl)

Presented by Jacquelyn Christmas, BSW, MPA, Fatality Review Coordinator, Missouri Department of Mental Health

This presentation will explore individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities as an affected group, including research and data. Risk factors, protective factors, and warning signs will be discussed, and how to apply best practices in suicide safe care to implement the Surgeon General's action steps.

In Person CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW



1:15pm – 2:15pm

The 4 Phases of Suicide Loss (Mount St. Helens 2nd Fl)

Presented by Tracy Oeser, BA and MS in Psychology with Emphasis in Life Coaching, Chief Executive Officer, Journey Thru Grief

While there are countless resources available to survivors of suicide loss, they tend to be solely informational. The survivor may either, not know how a resource could work for them or, be frustrated at the simplistic notion for supporting something so emotional and complicated.

Historically, we have not addressed where a loss survivor functions in their grief at any given time. At last, there is a new and innovative concept to define the grief journey and tailor resources which, in turn, will expedite the healing process.

By using her own lived experience and that of others, Tracy Oeser, MSPsy has created “The 4 Phases of Suicide Loss ©.” The currently used ‘stages of grief’, while certainly present, do not encompass suicide loss and the intricacies that relate to this complicated trauma. This interactive presentation will go into depth about the four phases.

In Person CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW



Partnerships for Life: An Initiative to Promote the Development of National Suicide Prevention Strategies Worldwide – Progress and Future Directions in the Americas (Pearl 2nd Fl)

Presented by Mark Sinyor, MSc, MD, FRCPC, Associate Professor/Psychiatrist, University of Toronto, Department of Psychiatry, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, Department of Psychiatry

There is increasing recognition of the need to encourage and support the development, implementation, and evaluation of national and sub-national suicide prevention strategies. To address this issue at a global scale, the International Association for Suicide Prevention (IASP) have brought together key experts from across the world in a new initiative called “Partnerships for Life”, launched in December 2020.

The goal of the initiative is to connect stakeholders in suicide prevention across countries within the six World Health Organization (WHO) regions. We aim to facilitate collaboration, knowledge exchange, and to promote the development of national suicide prevention strategies.

This presentation will focus on progress made by Partnerships for Life across the 35 countries in the America’s region of whom fewer than half have existing national suicide prevention strategies. It will describe challenges faced, opportunities identified, and future directions. It will also provide an opportunity to discuss how AAS members can become involved. AAS leadership has committed to being a partner in the Partnerships for Life strategy and being at the table.

In Person CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

Live Stream CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

2:30pm – 3:30pm



Loving Someone with Suicidal Thoughts: What Family, Friends and Partners Can Say and Do (Ballroom LL1)

Presented by Stacey Freedenthal, PhD, LCSW, Associate Professor, University of Denver Graduate School of Social Work

You do not need to be a therapist or doctor to help someone with suicidal thoughts. Contrary to popular messaging, you also do not always need to regard suicidal thoughts as an emergency. This presentation will delve into many things that family, friends, partners, and other lay people can do to help, starting with brave listening – asking questions whose answers you fear, listening to what hurts to hear, and responding in ways that encourage the person to open up rather than shut down.

Dr. Freedenthal will go over common challenges loved ones face, such as feeling burnt out, angry, overwhelmed, helpless, or manipulated and address ways people can manage these challenges while also taking care of themselves. Dr. Freedenthal comes at this topic from many different angles – as a suicide attempt survivor, the parent of someone who had suicidal thoughts, a psychotherapist who treats people with suicidal thoughts and their loved ones, and a suicidologist.

In Person CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

Live Stream CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

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2:30pm – 3:30pm



The Future of Suicide Prevention Technology: Scalability, Equity, and Crisis Data (Columbia Hotel Main Lobby)

Presented by Hudson Harris, Esq, MBA, MA, Specialist Leader, Deloitte Consulting

In 2022 we saw the launch of 988, leaps forward in AI, and the power of data to demonstrate equity in suicide care. These advancements came on the heels of a COVID-powered behavioral health crisis that exposed rampant health inequities in suicide prevention and its dire need for scalability and useable data. In a few short years these problems drove unprecedented investments into suicidology at every level of government and a wide array of private businesses. For the first time, market forces, technology, and political will have aligned to finally bring behavioral health IT into the 21st century.

This session peers through the looking glass at the next 10 years and walks through the leading technology, their accompanying techniques, and just how we use them to improve suicide prevention and health equity. Attendees to this session will leave with a personal sense of being awesome and the key maxims your organization needs to thrive in a world where suicide care is scaled by technology and driven towards equity.

In Person CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

Live Stream CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

Navigating Social Stigma and Threats to Social Bonds for Suicide Loss Survivors (Mount Hood 2nd Fl)

Presented by Dorothy Goulah-Pabst, MA, Coordinator Healing Conversations, American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

Applying what has been revealed in this research to better serve those who have lost a loved one to suicide includes making more suicide loss survivor groups accessible to the public, intervening with loss survivors early in their experience of loss and changing society's understanding of suicide. Changing how society looks at suicide can be achieved by adding the word suicide to the lexicon of grieving and loss, and creating anti-stigma campaigns through public health networks, educational institutions, and commercial and public media. Accessibility to educational materials and support groups through churches, funeral homes, doctor's offices, psychiatrists and therapists, schools at all levels and pharmacies could increase the acceptance of suicide and suicide loss as a part of life no less than death by disease or accident.

In Person CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

Further Upstream: Suicide Prevention in Elementary Schools (Mount St. Helens 2nd Fl)

Presented by Scott D. LoMurray, MBA, Chief Executive Officer

There is a stark lack of suicide prevention programming at the elementary level. This session will introduce participants to the Sources of Strength Elementary model which brings the evidence-based protective factor framework of Sources of Strength to a universal classroom-based curriculum for elementary students. Initial evaluation efforts across four states suggest positive mental health and prevention outcomes for students and staff. The elementary model enables schools to move further upstream in this life saving work and provide a continuity of care and a shared prevention framework for K-12 populations. The session will provide an overview of the strength-based prevention model and introduce participants to safe and effective strategies for engaging elementary age students in mental health promotion and suicide prevention efforts.

In Person CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW



3:45pm – 5:00pm



Listening to Understand in a Suicidal Crisis (Ballroom LL1)

Presented by Kevin Berthia, Suicide Prevention Advocate, Kevin Berthia Foundation and Kevin Briggs, Chief Executive Officer, Pivotal Points

California Highway Patrol sergeant Kevin Briggs spoke to Kevin Berthia as he contemplated suicide while standing precariously over the rail on the Golden Gate Bridge. This bridge is the #1 spot in the United States for the loss of life to suicide. The conversation that day will be discussed, including insights on communicating with an individual in crisis.

In Person CEs: 1.25 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW (1)

Live Stream CEs: 1.25 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW (1)

5:15pm – 6:30pm Paper Presentations (See Pages 34 and 35 for Details)

Visit one or all of the Paper Presentation rooms set aside for you to stop in and listen to students, researches, long-standing industry professionals and others provide a quick 10 minute snapshot into their research or non-research papers. Explore all there is to learn in this faced paced and exciting time full of information. Questions will be asked of the presenters after all presentations have been given if there is not time during the 10-minute presentation.

Poster Presentations (See Pages 35 and 36 for Details) (Expo Hall)

Walk through the mall of posters being presented to the attendees by respected industry professionals, students, and researchers where you can have a unique and casual conversation with the presenting individual to gain more information, appreciation and data.

Networking Evening with Exhibitors (Expo Hall)

Enjoy time with the amazing exhibitors as you meander through the booths to learn about various organization and companies who **Make An Impact** in the industry.

7:00pm – 8:30pm Opening Reception and Robert I. Yufit Awards Presentation (Ballroom LL1)

The American Association of Suicidology celebrates the industry and those within the community...those who **Make An Impact**. Join us for an evening of comradery, celebration and support across the globe through the generous support provided by LivingWorks Education and the Robert I. Yufit Foundation, Past President and prestigious Suicidologist, honoring those who **Make An Impact**.

Friday, April 21

7:00am – 5:00pm AAS Information Booth and AAS Bookstore (Lobby LL1)

Stop by the AAS Information Booth in the main lobby of the Lower Level 1 across from the Ballroom. Here you can get your questions answered, learn more about the training programs and crisis center accreditation program as well as membership. AAS staff is eager to meet you and help in any way possible. We are extremely excited to be rolling out a variety of new trainings with something for everyone no matter your profession, if you are a volunteer and a livid experience individual.

At the booth you will also find the AAS bookstore with materials from some of our speakers, books and activities for all ages and a multitude of resources. Use your 10% off **Make An Impact** coupon, purchase today and have items shipped directly to your home so no worries of luggage overages when traveling.

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7:00am-6:00pm **Exhibitor Hours (Expo Level)**

7:00am – 7:55am **Coffee with the Exhibitors (Expo Hall)**

Get up early to visit the amazing exhibitors as you meander through the booths to learn about various organization and companies who **Make An Impact** in the industry. Peek at the Poster Presentations all while enjoying your morning coffee or tea.

7:00am – 5:00pm **Wellness & Recovery Room (Open to All Attendees) (Belmont, Laurelhurst & Hawthorne 2nd Fl)**

Sponsored by the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation, the Wellness and Recovery Room offers a variety of activities for you to decompress, try new tools for your toolbox, and inspiration to take back into your own community. According to the Copeland Center for Wellness and Recovery, “Wellness Tools are things we do to keep ourselves well, and the things we do to help ourselves feel better when we are not feeling well. Most of them are simple, safe, free and non-invasive.” The purpose of the Wellness and Recovery Room is to provide a safe space to decompress after learning about suicide and suicide prevention. Conference participants will be encouraged to visit the room and practice using some of the mental health wellness tools from our toolboxes.

8:00am – 9:00am  **Beyond the Brain: Soul Exhaustion and Soul Care (Ballroom LL1)**

Presented by Sarah W. Gaer, MA, Consultant, SarahGaer.com

Throughout the history of humanity and within every known culture has been the concept of the Soul and yet over the last century or so, its value has lost much ground. For many people the idea of the soul, the essence of “who” they are resonates deeply and yet has been significantly diminished by the medical model of mental health. This plenary will bring the concept of the soul back to the forefront of discussion in how we conceptualize ourselves and others as well as the concept of Soul Exhaustion. Soul Exhaustion takes a deeper exploration of life circumstances such as poverty, adverse childhood experiences, racism, trauma and loss, and burnout and the holistic impact it has on the “who” we are. When looking through the lens of Soul exhaustion, we also must shift our thoughts on solutions to address the soul, spirit, or essence of “who” we are. Therefore, Soul Care, which has emphasis on non-clinical resources, goes deeper into understanding the ways in which we care for the “who”. Soul Exhaustion and Soul Care can work in harmony with the medical model of mental health and suicide prevention are not contradictory of one another.

In Person CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

Live Stream CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

9:15am – 10:00am  **Preventing Suicide Among Black Youth (Ballroom LL1)**

Presented by Janel Cubbage, MS, LCPC, MPH, Strategic Partnerships and Equity Program Manager, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Health; Brandon Johnson, MHS, MCHES, Acting Branch Chief, SAMHSA; and Anthony Smith, BA, Executive Director, Cities United and Michael Geeter, BA, President, SamRose Entertainment

Black youth currently have the fastest rising suicide rate among their peers of other races and ethnicities, and yet our field remains unprepared to address this alarming trend for a number of reasons. Hear about the gaps that exist in the field of suicidology that have created pitfalls in rising to the challenge to address Black youth suicide, learn about interventions and approaches to address Black youth suicide, and learn about a newly released report on Black youth suicide as well as a roadmap for preventing suicide among Black youth developed by Cities United.

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EmPATH Units: Improving Hospital Emergency Care for Suicidality Crises (Columbia Hotel Main Lobby)

Presented by Scott Zeller, MD, Assistant Professor, University of California-Riverside School of Medicine

Individuals with high-acuity medical or psychiatric conditions at risk for suicide, or after a suicide attempt or gesture, frequently are evaluated and treated in hospital emergency departments. Historically, these emergency departments often have been thought to be less than desirable environments for mental health care, with their claustrophobic, confining, overly clinical and frightening atmospheres, which may even make some crisis conditions worsen. But an innovative model of care, the EmPATH Unit (Emergency Psychiatric Assessment, Treatment and Healing Unit) is changing the way hospitals and emergency departments care for crisis patients, moving individuals to comfortable, therapeutic environments with prompt interventions and appropriately trained staff.

EmPATH units are now found across the USA and in several foreign countries, and are demonstrating success in patient-centric, trauma-informed, high-acuity psychiatric care in hospitals, with impressive metrics and outcomes. Examples of EmPATH units in various sizes, shapes and locations will be shared, including how each implement “The Six Goals of Emergency Psychiatric Care”, and how these groundbreaking approaches redefine the paradigms of acute mental health care will be presented, with ample time for audience questions and comments.

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Humility Is a Superpower! Developing a Culturally Responsive Training Model for Crisis Line Counselors (Pearl 2nd Fl)

Presented by Nathan Lichtman, MSW, Training & Volunteer Coordinator and Pineniece Joshua, BA, Training & Outreach Coordinator II, Didi Hirsch Suicide Prevention Center

Considering our nationwide multicultural landscape and the increased crisis line volume since the launch of 988, it is vital that frontline counselors are trained in cultural humility and culturally responsive practices. The model promotes inclusive dialogue about culture and identity, discusses the impact of historical mental health disparities, and teaches how practicing humility enables culturally sensitive, person-centered care.

We will survey emergent best practices in suicidology related to defining cultural humility and practicing culturally responsive care and unpack core components of our training model and provide resources and takeaways for scaling and adopting it for yourselves. Attendees will leave being able to foster more inclusive paradigms for suicidology, recognizing each client’s unique individuality, identity, culture, and worldview.

In Person CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)

9:15am – 10:00am Pivot! Pivot! Leveraging Data and Feedback to Drive Equity and Quality in Text-Based Crisis Services (Mount Hood 2nd Fl)

Presented by Sophia Periera, BA Psychology, Clinical Data Coordinator; Gladys F. Tellez, MRC, Bilingual Project Lead of Quality and Casey Polard, MA, EdS, Director of Clinical Supervision, Operations, Crisis Text Line; and Samantha Nadler, MSSW, Director of Accreditation, American Association of Suicidology

The last few years have come with unique challenges to crisis services between a pandemic and preparation for 988 launch. As a national text-based line, we juggled the demands of our service while also launching a new language: Spanish.

Gain an understanding of how we have utilized operational data to tell the story of our work, while also including the narrative experiences of our front-line staff. We will spend the duration of the workshop discussing how we are scaling our clinical supervision team and its operations, while ensuring the quality of our work is stronger than ever.

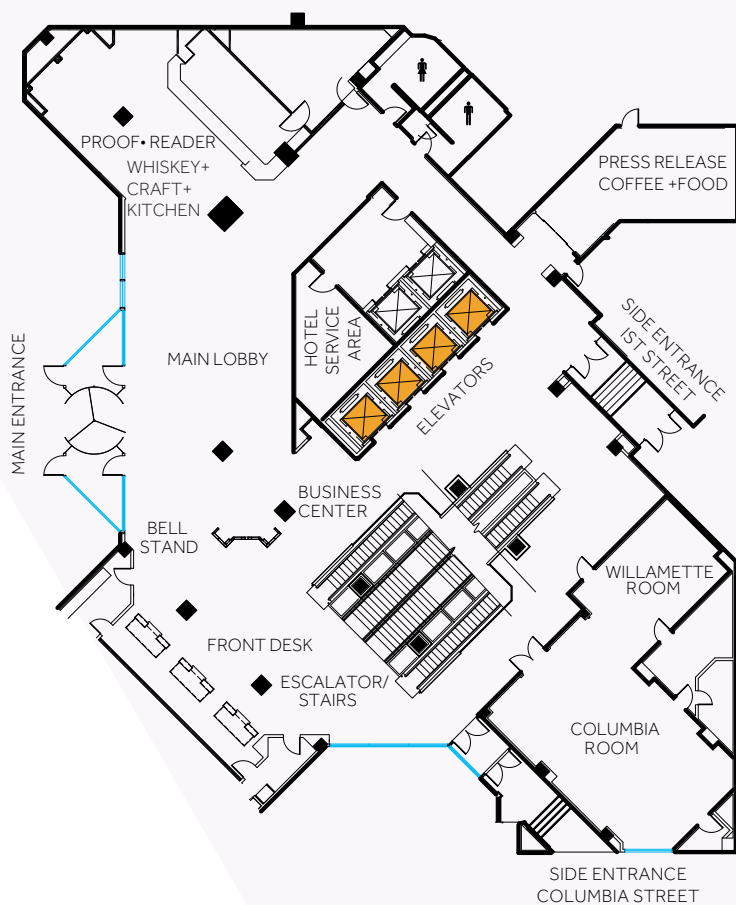
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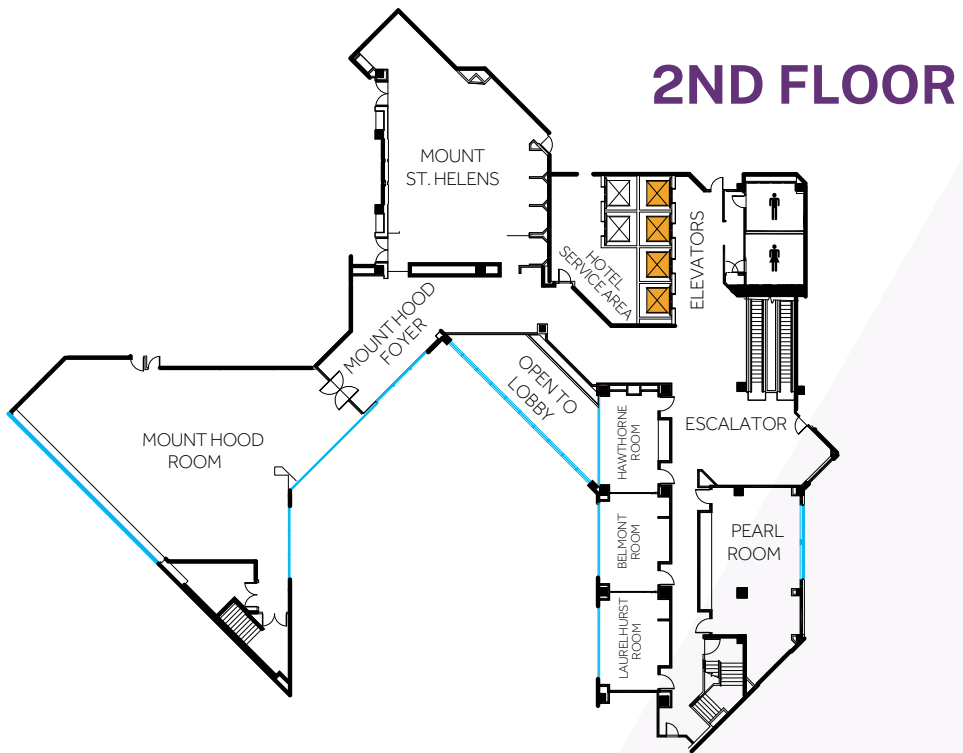


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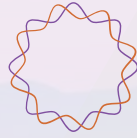
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9:15am – 10:00am **Safety Planning on the Street: Ensuring Safety and Diverting Away From Emergency Departments/ Jail In a Street Triage Co-responder Program (Mount St. Helens 2nd Fl)**

Presented by Bart Andrews, PhD, Chief Clinical Officer, and Amy Quade, MA, LPC, Associate Director 911 Diversion, Behavioral Health Response

The street triage co-responder model is a relatively new innovation in improving the effectiveness and reducing negative events when police respond to behavioral health crises. The St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department (SLMPD) introduced a first of its kind street triage co-responder program in February of 2021. The pairing of a police officer and a crisis clinician is referred to as a Crisis Response Unit (CRU).

The CRU program has reduced the rate of hospitalization when police respond from 85% to 8%, improved the linkage to care and strengthened the system of care. The program has also provided community members to the Stanley-Brown Safety Planning (SPI) without having to go to a clinic, hospital or wait for a mobile outreach. CRU teams are often the first and only response to an individual in crisis. Join this workshop and learn about what safety on the street really looks like.

In Person CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)

10:00am – 10:30am **Networking Break with Exhibitors (Expo Hall)**

Enjoy time with the amazing exhibitors as you meander through the booths to learn about various organization and companies who **Make An Impact** in the industry.

10:30am – 11:15am **What's Next? A Public Policy Panel on Current, Past, and Future of Suicide Prevention in the Public Sector (Ballroom LL1)**

Presented by Laurel Stine, JD, MA, Executive Vice President, and Chief Policy Officer, American Foundation for Suicide Prevention; Janel Cubbage, MS, LCPC, MPH, Strategic Partnerships and Equity Program Manager, Center for Gun Violence; and Leeann Sherman, MPS, CAE, President & CEO, American Association of Suicidology

Suicide prevention and the suicidology field-at-large has been gaining national attention over the past several years. From the roll out of the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline to the launch of the National Maternal Mental Health Hotline, and greater investments into continuum of care. Yet, challenges persist ensuring equitable and access to care is embedded into the fabric of our communities. Public policy plays a critical role in putting advocacy into action, this panel will explore where we are, where we have been, and where we are headed as we continue to gain traction on both the national and state levels for the inclusion of today's best practices.

In Person CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)

Live Stream CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)

Crisis Intercept Mapping for Service Members, Veterans and Their Families: Applications and Updates (Columbia Hotel Main Lobby)

Presented by Stacey Owens, MSW, LCSW-C, Military and Veterans Affairs Liaison/Public Health Analyst; Brandi Jancaitis, MPH, BS, Statewide Program Director, Virginia Veteran and Family Support Services; Briana Maher, MPH, Senior Research Associate at NORC, University of Chicago; and Richard McKeon, PhD, MPH, MA, BS, Chief, Suicide Prevention Branch, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Gain updated information regarding CIM for Service Members, Veterans, and their Families (SMVF) Suicide Prevention, as well as examples of how state-wide coordination of the CIM process can enhance crisis response across a range of communities. We will also present findings from an analysis of the results of CIM workshops provided to a wide range of communities over a period of 3 years. Learn how they can support SMVF engaging in the community crisis system and hear about opportunities for future engagement.

In Person CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)

Unavoidable Intersections: Suicide and Substance Abuse Prevention (Mount St. Helens 2nd Fl)

Presented by Charlette Lumby, RN, CCRN, Co-Founder and Michelle Bangen, MPH, CHES, Co-Founder, Incite Agency for Change

There is a significant intersection between substance use and suicide. However, there is minimal emphasis in current suicide prevention/intervention work in which mental health and substance use disorders are addressed together. The need to identify CODs, along with the application of COD-focused treatment and services, is essential. This workshop synthesizes and distills the contents of the updated 2020 SAMHSA Treatment and Improvement Protocol, TIP 42: Substance Use Disorder Treatment for People with Co-occurring Disorders. It also addresses implications beyond just a clinical setting, making recommendations applicable at the community level along with taking equitable approaches into consideration.

In Person CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)

Comprehensive Youth Suicide Prevention in a Rural Midwestern State (Mount Hood 2nd Fl)

Presented by Quinn Lewandowski, MS, Senior Research Specialist, University of Nebraska Public Policy Center

Gain insight into the implementation of a SAMHSA Garrett Lee Smith Youth Suicide Prevention grant in Nebraska aimed at impacting youth (aged 10-24 y/o) utilizing a comprehensive suicide prevention approach. Participants will also gain insights and lessons learned in bringing together a strong group of stakeholders, increasing outreach, training professionals and the public using evidence-based trainings, training behavioral health and healthcare organizations in Zero Suicide, enhancing Local Outreach to Suicide Loss Survivors Teams, and creating resources that schools, parents, youth, and Nebraskans can easily access and utilize.

In Person CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)



MATES Program: Through the Lens of Lived Experience and Suicide Prevention in the Workplace (Pearl 2nd Fl)

Presented by Jorgen Gullestrup, PhD Candidate, Deakin University

In 2006 a group of construction industry leaders were presented with a report documenting very high suicide rates in the Queensland Construction industry. The industry decided to act and established an industry suicide prevention initiative later known as MATES in Construction. The industry decided to lead the initiative from an industry perspective taking ownership of the issue and then reach out for expert input when required. This presentation will describe the process of lived experience led co-design creating the MATES program, the MATES “Anger, Hope, Action” engagement model, the program elements and the evaluation evidence for the program.

Learning Objectives:

- ▲ Understand the importance of community led suicide prevention.
- ▲ Understand the importance of lived experience in program design and implementation
- ▲ Understand the “Anger, Hope, Action” model of engagement.

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11:30am – 12:15pm **National Council for Suicide Prevention: A Collective Voice for Our Field** (Columbia Hotel Main Lobby)

Presented by Dan Reidenberg, PsyD, Managing Director, National Council for Suicide Prevention

The National Council for Suicide Prevention (NCSP) is comprised of the nation's leading nonprofit organizations with a mission dedicated to suicide prevention and are founding organizations in the field. The NCSP has been instrumental in helping advance some of the major contributions in the field including the National Strategy, the National Research Agenda, the Action Alliance, the National Lifeline and the SPRC. The NCSP also created and manages the annual Take5ToSaveLives campaign for World Suicide Prevention Day for more than 100 global organizations as well as the National Rally to Prevent Suicide at the US Capitol.

As a voice for individuals and organizations, the NCSP works with federal partners to ensure suicide prevention remains a priority in funding, programming and policy. Learn the history, mission, membership and objectives of the NCSP and how to be engaged to help provide future direction activities and local/state efforts.

In Person CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)



The Intersection of Lived Experience, Research, and Crisis Care Delivery: Creating Inclusive and Affirming Services (Ballroom LL1)

Panelists Include: Tia Dole, PhD, Chief 988 & Suicide Crisis Lifeline Officer, Vibrant Emotional Health; Katherine Delgado, BS, Senior Director of Programs, American Association of Suicidology; Emma Hirsch, YouthLine Team Lead, Lines for Life; Mahmoud Khedr, Founder & CEO, Flora; and Rusha Grinstead, MPH, 988 & Behavioral Health Crisis System Manager, Oregon Health Authority

Crisis Services Continuum strength lies in the implementation of research and incorporating the insight of those with lived experience, to not only improve but create inclusive and affirming crisis care delivery. The field has been engaging in innovative technology and practices to build out a system of care that aims to better serve our communities. Dynamic shifts in communication styles, industry standards, and the spotlight on service providers have elevated mental health care on a national scale.

In Person CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)

Live Stream CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)

Crisis Chat & Text, Developing Training for Your Center (Mount Hood 2nd Fl)

Presented by Ting Ting Lee, MA, Manager, Clinical Technologies; Taylor Funke, Certified Addiction Counselor, Certified Prevention Specialist, Crisis Worker Certification, Certification for Community Resource Specialist, Coordinator – Clinical Technologies; and McKenzie Curtis, MSSW, Coordinator Clinical Technologies, Vibrant Emotional Health

Building a crisis chat and text training module that addresses the unique considerations needed when transitioning from voice-based crisis intervention to text-based crisis intervention requires careful planning and development. Utilization of subject matter experts and quality assurance data evaluation provide direction and clinical foci in the development process.

This workshop will use samples, case study, and benchmarks for examining needs for a crisis chat and text training, including a comprehensive learning plan, and how to build it. Attendees to have a greater understanding of how to assess their own chat and text training needs and begin the process of building their own (for non-988 Lifeline centers). Attendees will participate in discussion throughout the workshop to help them grasp the important aspects of the development process.

In Person CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)

Get to Know Us: SPRC Best Practices Registry (Mount St. Helens 2nd Fl)

Presented by Shayna Klassen, BA, Best Practices Registry Listing Manager and Victoria Waugh-Reed, EdD, Director, Best Practices Registry, Suicide Prevention Resource Center

SPRC's Best Practices Registry (BPR) is a one stop source for programs and interventions that incorporate national frameworks, best practices, and culturally relevant approaches to suicide prevention. The Best Practices Registry team will provide an overview of the BPR, including a summary of the frameworks guiding acceptance for listing on the Registry. We will present the registry's approach to equity, inclusivity, and different ways of knowing, as well the intentional goal of including listings with broader spectrums of evidence.

We will review the Registry's inclusion of upstream prevention programs and practices that focus on societal factors known to influence suicide risk and mental health and share how to prepare to submit a program or intervention via our new online submission portal. The newest iteration of the Best Practices Registry is designed to be an accessible, intuitive resource for anyone seeking a program or intervention to prevent suicide.



Social Upstream Factors in Suicide Theory, Research, and Prevention: A Presentation with Empirical Evidence (Pearl 2nd Fl)

Presented by Zhang Jie, Distinguished Professor, State University of New York College at Buffalo

Suicide is a global public health problem, but very few theories have been developed for its etiology and effective prevention. Explore the upstream factors in social and contextual structures for suicidal behaviors. It is aimed to reach a comprehensive and parsimonious theory explaining the socio-psychological mechanism prior to suicidal behavior. Strain, resulting from conflicting and competing pressures in an individual's life, is hypothesized to precede suicide.

The Strain Theory of Suicide (STS) proposes four sources of strain leading to suicide: (1) value strain from differential values, (2) aspiration strain from the discrepancy between aspiration and reality, (3) deprivation strain from the relative deprivation including poverty, and (4) coping strain from deficient coping skills in the face of a crisis. This new diagram is built on previous notions of anomie (Durkheim 1951 [1897]), strain theories of deviance (Merton 1957) and crime (Agnew 1992), although suicide is not a major target for explanation in those theories. A number of studies are presented to elaborate the reliability and validity of the Strain Theory of Suicide. Future research with rigorous quantitative data is also suggested to further test the Theory on a more comprehensive level.

In Person CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)

Live Stream CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)

12:15pm – 1:15pm Networking Lite Lunch with Exhibitors (Expo Hall)

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1:15pm – 2:15pm



A Fireside Chat on Murder-Suicide: Expanding the Lens – What next? (Ballroom LL1)

Presented by Thomas Joiner, PhD, Distinguished Professor, Florida State University and Stephanie Willard, Lac, Advocate, Survivor, Life's New Normal

An intimate discussion on murder-suicide, which is happening more and more in our communities. The ripple effects are vast and enormous.

In Person CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

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2:30pm – 3:15pm



Making the BE WITH Innovation a Reality: Forging Partnerships, Navigating Challenges, and the Day-to-day of Implementing a Randomized Controlled Trial (RCT) (Ballroom LL1)

Presented by Laura Shannonhouse PhD, LPC, NCC, Associate Professor, Georgia State University

This talk unpacks the lessons learned during the development and implementation of the BE WITH warm calling program. Here, the focus is not on the results of rigorous methods, but on the “hows” of conducting RCT research in the community on a sensitive population and a serious subject.

In Person CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)

Live Stream CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)

2:30pm – 3:15pm

Bridging Language Barriers: Expanding Access to Peer-led, Youth Suicide Prevention (Mount St. Helens 2nd Fl)

Presented by Nissa Bisguier, BA, Program Development Coordinator; Jake Cavanaugh, BA, Executive Director; Karla Flores, MSW, Bilingual Outreach Coordinator, The Nan Project

The NAN Project is an initiative that facilitates mental health discussions among students using stories of lived experience, with the goal of reducing youth suicides. These narratives from our young adult Peer Mentors are typically delivered in health class settings and promote a message of hope, covering the struggles with mental health from a youth perspective, with a focus on the unique, powerful paths to recovery.

Programming has spread to schools in a diverse array of communities, requiring the presentations to be culturally and linguistically adapted to connect with students from a variety of backgrounds. This workshop will demonstrate the peer-to-peer model as a novel route to suicide prevention, and detail the steps taken to adapt the presentations across cultures and languages. The workshop style will be highly interactive, with opportunities for participants to ask questions and discuss the stories they hear.

In Person CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)



CALM for the Gun-Ownning Community (Columbia Hotel Main Lobby)

Presented by John Paul Jameson, PhD, Licensed Psychologist, Professor, Appalachian State University

This workshop will introduce participants to Conversations on Access to Lethal Means (Convo CALM) as well as other materials designed to provide the gun-owning community with tools to address lethal means reduction in a collaborative and non-legislative approach.

In Person CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)

Live Stream CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)

Faith Leader Engagement – Lessons Learned from State Initiatives (Mount Hood 2nd Fl)

Presented by Glen Bloomstrom, MDiv, MS, MSS, Director, Faith Community Engagement, LivingWorks; Anne L. Geissinger, MPH, NC Comprehensive Suicide Prevention Program Coordinator & Team Lead, NC DHHS Division of Public Health; and Abigail F. Coffey, MPH, CHES, Contracts Coordinator and Evaluator Division of Public Health, Injury and Violence Prevention Branch, NC Department of Human Services

The session will answer three questions relating to clergy and faith leaders:

1. Why faith leaders must be engaged and how they are involved already?
2. What difference does competency-based training make?
3. What are lessons learned from engaging faith leaders in suicide prevention?

In Person CEs: CME (.75), APA (.5), NBCC (.5), NASW (.5)





Active Listening Skills in Crisis Communication (Pearl 2nd Fl)

Presented by Kevin Berthia, Suicide Prevention Advocate, Kevin Berthia Foundation and Kevin Briggs, Chief Executive Officer, Pivotal Points

The session expands upon Briggs and Berthia's "Listening to Understand" by exploring the importance of the skills, knowledge, and one's power in hearing what the concerns are of the individual in a suicidal crisis. The discussion will explore the value in finding hope, the impact of listening, and learning the power of active human-to-human interaction. It is intended to enhance attendees' ability to utilize active listening skills, compassion, and empathy for the individual at risk of suicide.

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3:15pm – 3:45pm Networking Break with Exhibitors (Expo Hall)

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3:45pm – 4:45pm



Counseling on Access to Lethal Means *LS (Columbia Hotel Main Lobby)

Presented by Melody Palmer-Arizola, LPC, Practice Administrator and Marc Olivares, MA, MS, LPC-S Practice Manager, Austin Travis County Integral Care

Access to lethal means, including medication and firearms, is a determining factor in the outcome for suicidal individuals. This course addresses relevant data on lethal means and provides participants with crucial skills for how to ask about access to lethal methods and engage with clients and their support system to reduce access until they are no longer at elevated risk.

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OMG! Don't Call Me! How to Add Text and Chat Based Support Services to an Existing Crisis Call Center (Pearl 2nd Fl)

Presented by Michelle Gatewood, MA, LMFT, Online Emotional Support Program Manager, Rocky Mountain Crisis Partners

In this workshop Michelle Gatewood, LMFT, will walk participants through the recruiting, training, workflow design, and clinical supervision approaches that Rocky Mountain Crisis Partners (RMCP) uses for their text and chat services. RMCP is the sole statewide provider for Colorado Crisis Line and 988 and answers the calls, texts, and chats for both services. Since 2015, the text and chat platform has grown to a volume of 3,000 interactions per month.

The RMCP text and chat team provides statewide 24/7/365 service with only 14 full-time crisis specialists providing direct support! Gatewood is the Online Emotional Support (OES) Program Manager for RMCP and has seven years of experience providing text and chat services. She will share the struggles and triumphs OES has had over the years and hopes to increase confidence in centers beginning this process. Participants will engage in collaborative discussions, learn about platform makeup, and have opportunities for consultation.

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Safe Social Spaces: Crisis Intervention for Youth on Social Media (Mount St. Helens 2nd Fl)

Presented by Angie Nielsen, MA, Assistant YouthLine Director, Portland Operations and Craig Leets, MA, YouthLine Deputy Director, Lines for Life, YouthLine

The Pew Research Center reported in 2019 that 95% of teens age 13 to 17 own a smartphone or have access to one, and 45% say they are online “nearly constantly.” While social media can foster community, technology has developed faster than regulations and safety nets. Simultaneously, national teen suicide rates have risen every year since 2007. That is where the Safe Social Spaces program steps in. To meet youth where they are, YouthLine’s Safe Social Spaces program directly engages with teens on social media platforms. When youth post about self-harm or suicidal thoughts, our team provides support, safety planning, and resource referrals.

In Person CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW



Natives helping Natives: The Journey of the Native and Strong Lifeline (Ballroom LL1)

Presented by Rochelle Williams, MS, Ehattesaht First Nation, Tribal Operations Manager, Volunteers of America Western Washington

November 17th, 2022 marked the launch of the Native & Strong Lifeline, the first state wide call center in the nation to provide Native-led and culturally-centered crisis call services to Native people.

In this session, participants will learn what it means to bring culture into crisis response services, how the Native and Strong Lifeline came to be, tips for tribes and tribal entities looking to implement Native-led crisis call services in their communities, and lessons learned in the first 6 months.

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Evaluation and Assessment at the Operational Level as Fundamental to Getting Better: Rolling Out a New Evaluation Process for the Air Force Suicide Prevention Program (Mount Hood 2nd Fl)

Presented by David Obergfell, DSW, LCSW, R&D IPSDV SME: USAF Z1Z – Integrated Resilience, Senior Strategy Officer Wellness & Violence Prevention, United States Air Force, UNC Chapel Hill

We will review the recent developments and implementation of the Department of the Air Force Suicide Prevention Program Evaluation Plan, the assessment process, and relevant findings. In addition, we will review the 15 elements of the DAF Suicide Prevention Program and, along the way, share our story to continually get better in tailoring and delivering suicide prevention programs throughout the Department of the Air Force.

In Person CEs: 1.0 CME, APA, NBCC, NASW

4:45pm – 6:00pm Paper Presentations (See Pages 36 and 37 for Details)

Visit one or all of the Paper Presentation rooms set aside for you to stop in and listen to students, researchers, long-standing industry professionals and others provide a quick 10-minute snapshot into their research or non-research papers. Explore all there is to learn in this fast paced and exciting time full of information. Questions will be asked of the presenters after all presentations have been given if there is not time during the 10-minute presentation.

Poster Presentations (See Page 38 for Details) (Expo Hall)

Walk through the mall of posters being presented to the attendees by respected industry professionals, students, and researchers where you can have a unique and casual conversation with the presenting individual to gain more information, appreciation, and data.



Networking Evening with Exhibitors (Expo Level)

Take time to visit with each of the exhibitors and enjoy snacks while you chat.

6:15pm - 7:15pm Canadian Crisis/Distress Line Reception (Pearl 2nd Fl)

7:00pm – 8:30pm Comedy for a Cause (This is a ticketed event) (Mount Hood 2nd Fl)

Comedy has the power to bring people together, to offer hope and humor in even the most challenging of circumstances. Join us for an evening as we gather and share a laugh after a day full of incredible speakers and sessions. Comedy for a Cause supports the work of the American Association of Suicidology (AAS) while featuring local and national talent.

Disclaimer: This is an adult-only event, views and opinions of performers do not reflect the opinions of beliefs of the American Association of Suicidology, its affiliates, or our Investors and Exhibitors.

Saturday, April 22

7:30am – 1:30pm AAS Information Booth and AAS Bookstore (Lobby LL1)

Stop by the AAS Information Booth in the main lobby of the Lower Level 1 across from the Ballroom. Here you can have your questions answered, learn more about the certified training programs and crisis center accreditation program as well as membership. AAS staff is eager to meet you and help in any way possible. We are thrilled to be rolling out a variety of new trainings with something for everyone no matter your profession or if you are a volunteer and those with lived experience individual. We will also be enhancing many of our resource tools and kits along with new in the near future. Learn more about them by stopping by.

At the booth you will also find the AAS bookstore with materials from some of our speakers, books and activities for all ages and a multitude of resources. Use your 10% off #AASMakeAnImpact coupon, purchase today, and have items shipped directly to your home so you have no worries of luggage overages when traveling.

8:30am – 9:30am  More Than a Story (Ballroom LL1)

Presented by Susie [수지] Reese, Director of Lived Experience Initiatives, Suicide Prevention Resource Center

“More than a Story” aims to illustrate the nuanced impacts of blending suicide lived experience with public sharing. Creating value around voice means deepening our understanding of lived experience and reexamining our expectations of how we engage with and center opportunities to highlight it. When we bound or limit voices based on traditional notions of how they should be shared, we lose opportunities for growth, progress, and solving our most pressing problems.

By challenging individual, organizational, and societal biases about how we interact with those with lived experiences, we can proactively address stigma and improve our inclusion practices through strategies that empower and break down barriers. Additionally, by exploring ways to safely share and center lived experiences, we can expand practices to complement the current body of research on it.

This session will offer approaches to sharing foundational “lifeworld” knowledge on how best to invite and incorporate those with lived experiences in suicide prevention efforts.

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Saturday, April 22

9:45am – 10:45am



heART's Hope Project (Ballroom LL1)

Presented by DJ Ida, PhD, Executive Director, Achieving Whole Health Trainer and Allyson Goto, AB, Director of Programming, National Asian American Pacific Islander Mental Health Association (NAAPIMHA)

Asians* in Focus is pleased to announce the creation of a new initiative heART's hope, that will focus on mental health awareness and suicide prevention for Asian Americans Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders. heART's hope was started through a generous donation from the Sevelo family to honor Nicholas Fatu Sevelo, who ended his life at the age of 18. On November 14, 2020, Fatu's family held a 5k Memorial fundraiser to honor and celebrate his life and raise awareness around suicide to prevent others from experiencing the pain of losing a loved one. They donated the funds to the National Asian American Pacific Islander Mental Health Association which created Asians* in Focus to emphasize the power of healing through the use of art. In addition to the Sevelo family, the Center for Psychology and Culture donated funds to focus specifically on Native Hawaiians and Indigenous people. You will see the art of all who shared their story to promote awareness around mental health and suicide prevention, art connecting AAPI using creativity in many forms of media, and focusing on the resilience, hope and the pride of being AANIPI.

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11:00am – 12:00pm

The Genuine Article: Honest Conversation About Our Military/Veteran Suicide Loss (Mount St. Helens 2nd Fl)

Presented by Jessica Timmerman, BS Biological Sciences, Founder, The Final Salute, LLC and Mat Vance, BA English, Operations Manager, GardaWorld Security

Experience a successful military career and subsequent suicide loss through the eyes of the departed's sibling and battle brother. A deeply honest conversation will be had that demands radical transformation in healthcare and within caring communities, both military and civilian. The aim of our presentation is to strengthen the call to action within civilians, policy makers and surviving Military/Veteran families. Attendees of the workshop will engage in learning discussions and activities that facilitate innovative strategies to aid susceptible Mil/Vet individuals.

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Hope, Help and Healing: Oregon Alliance to Prevent Suicide As An Indicator For Change (Ballroom LL1)

Presented by Annette Marcus, MSW, Policy Manager, Oregon Alliance to Prevent Suicide, Assoc. of Community Mental Health Programs; Jennifer A. Fraga, MSW, CSWA, Suicide Prevention Program Coordinator, Association of Community Mental Health Programs, Oregon Alliance to Prevent Suicide; and Galli Murray, LCSW, Suicide Prevention Coordinator, Clackamas County Health, Housing & Human Services

Learn about how Oregon has grown a thriving statewide coalition that has resulted in millions of dollars of investment in suicide prevention and a more cohesive and effective suicide prevention field across the state. Explore lessons learned about coalition building; effective approaches for promoting policy change through partnerships with state agencies and engagement with the legislature; ensuring state priorities are informed by local wisdom; and what it takes to center equity in the work of suicide prevention. Along with a presentation, workshop participants will have opportunity to explore how they might build or strengthen suicide prevention work through local or state coalitions.

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Widening the Lens: Learning From Five Years of Resistance, Progress, and Intentional Social Justice and Racial Equity Efforts in a Suicide Prevention Organization

(Columbia Hotel Main Lobby)

Presented by Pata Suyemoto, PhD, Associate Director of Equity, National Asian American Pacific Islander Mental Health Association (NAAPIMHA) and Jen Kelliher, BA, Managing Director, Massachusetts Coalition for Suicide Prevention

Learned about MCSP's equity process over the past five years, including the writing and implementation of a racial equity toolkit. We will discuss the intention of our equity efforts and the resistance that we encountered along the way, as well as the progress that we made through those efforts. This workshop will demonstrate that wherever an organization starts from equity is not only possible but beneficial.

Through the "case study" of MCSP, participants will understand some foundational equity concepts and a basic framework for change. They will see how equity work is a process and how progress is made and built on over time. Participants will also leave the workshop with concrete strategies for bringing equity into their organizations and communities and will understand how to set and assess progress on the equity goals that will benefit their organizations.

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12:00pm – 1:00pm



Closing Session - Building A Culture of Equity in Suicide Prevention (Ballroom LL1)

Presented by Victor Armstrong, MSW, Chief Diversity Officer, RI International

Equity has become a major topic of discussion of late, but without intentionality, equity can become nothing more than a trendy topic. There are unique challenges faced by historically marginalized communities as it pertains to suicide prevention. Discuss the importance of embedding equity into the work of suicide prevention, including defining the objective, identifying the essential elements, and exploring the challenges and pitfalls in applying the "lens of equity" both within an organization and within a system.

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Closing Remarks by AAS President & CEO Leeann Sherman, MPS, CAE

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PAPERS AND POSTERS

Thursday, April 20
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PAPERS

Mount Hood

Examining Changes in Users' Emotions Within- and Between-Discussions About Suicide on the Subreddit /r/SuicideWatch
Author(s) Andrew C. Switzer, MA

A Community-Engaged Approach to Understanding Suicide in a Small Rural County in Georgia: A Two-Phase Content Analysis of Individual and Focus Group Interviews
Author(s) Eleni M. Gaveras, MSW/MPH

Opportunities and Challenges for Suicide Prevention Programming for LGBTQIA+ Young People: Perspectives from Professionals, Experts, Advocates, Youth, and their Parents
Author(s) Brianna Maher, MPH and Alex Karydi, PhD, LMFT, CAC, CASAC II

The Association Between State Gun Law Strength and Rates of Suicide
Author(s) Kathryn Fingar, PhD, MPH and Sarah Burd-Sharps, MIA

Beyond Training: Talk Suicide Canada Community of Practice for Crisis Line Practice Enhancement and Building Connection
Author(s) Allison Crawford, MD, PhD, Karen VanderSluis, and Jennifer Carroll, MPH

Gun Suicide in Cities: The Lesser-Known Side of City Gun Violence
Author(s) Megan J. O'Toole, PhD

Preventing Preadolescent Suicide Through Education and Community Care
Author(s) Mary E. Stover, EdD

Mount St. Helens

Risk for Future Suicide After Surviving a Medically Serious Self-Inflicted Gunshot Wound: Analysis of 16 Years of Trauma Center Data
Author(s) Andrew T. Schramm, PhD

Promoting Suicide Prevention Through Learning Health Systems in Early Psychosis Care
Author(s) Molly A. Lopez, PhD

Using AI to Scale Quality Assessment of Crisis Counseling
Author(s) Zac Imel, PhD

Towards Greater Equity in Suicide Prevention: A Multi-Method Study Exploring Practices and Perspectives from the Canadian Crisis and Distress Sector
Author(s) Allison Crawford, MD, PhD and Chantalle Clarkin, RN PhD

SafePlan Trial: A Pilot Randomised Control Trial of a Safety Planning Mobile App in Irish Mental Health Services
Author(s) Ruth Melia, BA, MSc, DClinPsych

Translating Research to Upstream Suicide Prevention Practice on People's Own Terms: Theory and Outcomes of Promoting Community Conversations About Research to End Suicide (PC CARES)
Author(s) Lisa Wexler, PhD and M.S.W.

Pearl

A Survey of Autistic Adults on Suicide Factors: Qualitative Results to a Nationwide Survey*Author(s) Jack Scott, PhD and Claire Kelderman, BS***Perceptions of the Value of Secure Firearm Storage Methods as a Suicide Prevention Tool Among Firearm Owners who Currently Store their Firearms Loaded and Unlocked***Author(s) Michael D. Anestis, PhD***Are Dogs Good Therapists?***Author(s) Rista Luna, MA***“It Kind of Eases My Own Mind”: Participatory Action Research with Young Adults to Design Suicide Prevention Programming.***Author(s) Antonia RG Alvarez, LMSW, PhD, Michelle Bangen, MPH CHES, and Charlette A. Lumby, RN, CCRN***Social Media Suicide Intervention for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Youth***Author(s) Meghan L. Buchanan, BS and Genevieve V. Castle, B.S.***Black Deaths Matter: Critically Understanding Black Female Clinicians’ Perspectives about Suicide in Black Communities***Author(s) Heath H. Hightower, PhD, LICSW***Thursday, April 20****5:15pm to 6:30pm****POSTERS**

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A Theory and Practice Informed Approach to Crisis Intervention for Public Safety Personnel in Canada – Identifying Knowledge Gaps to Inform Action*Author(s) Chantalle Clarkin, RN PhD and Gisell Castillo, MA***An Independent Evaluation of Department of Veterans Affairs Integration of Best Practice Care in Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Through Expert Panel Recommendations***Author(s) Lauren E. Shaw and Kristin N. Washington, PsyD, PMP***Assessing suicide: Seven core groups of questions***Author(s) Alondra B. Serrano, B.S.***Distinguishing Risk and Protective Factors for Suicidal Ideation and Attempt Among Gender Diverse and Cisgender Youth: Findings from a State Survey***Author(s) Holly Zell, MA, LPC***Does Acute Suicidal Affective Disturbance (ASAD) Predict Suicide Attempts?***Author(s) Yuna Oh, B.A. in Psychology, graduate student in Clinical Psychology and Sungeun You, PhD***“Exploration of Related Factors of Suicide in Hospitalized Elderly People-Taking Teaching Hospitals in Eastern Taiwan as an Example”***Author(s) Su-Jung Liao, Ph.D., RN*

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Hidden in Plain Sight: Hidden Suicidal Ideation or Intent Amongst Asian American and Pacific Islander decedents: A thematic analysis from Medical Examiner-Coroner's investigative death reports.

Author(s) Lichin Ly, MS, MPH

How Does Religiosity Affect Suicidal Ideation?: Church Attendance Vs. Private Religious Activities

Author(s) Yi Jin Kim

Implications of Law Enforcement Involvement in Mobile Crisis Response

Author(s) Calli Tucker, MS

Maintaining Mental Wellness While Providing Care on the Suicide Prevention Continuum: A Mini-Toolkit for Practitioners

Author(s) Thomas Robertson, MSW, LCSW, CSAC

Operational Responses of U.S. National Suicide Prevention Lifeline Call Centers to COVID-19

Author(s) Ashley Miller, MPA, Mike Schiwart, BS, Christian Burgess, LMSW, and Tia Dole, PhD

Profiles of People Expressing Suicidal Thoughts Online: A Mixed-Method Approach

Author(s) Stefan Stijelja

Relationship of Suicidal Behavior with Impulsivity and Heart Rate Variability in Mood Disorders

Author(s) Mete Ercis, MD

Towards Trustworthy Automatic Voice Assessment System for Suicide

Author(s) Mah Parsa

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PAPERS

Mount Hood

Decolonization and intergenerational trauma: surviving family harm and suicidal behavior

Author(s) Emily B. Cooney, PhD

Complex Trauma in suicidal adults: Do cumulative traumatic experiences affect suicide risk, warning, and protective factors?

Author(s) Victoria L. Orr, B.S. and Lisa J. Borntrager, MSW

How Does a Call to Lifeline Prevent Suicide?

Author(s) Alan R. Woodward, MPS; BBus; FAES

Utilizing Historical Trauma Frameworks in Suicide Prevention with Indigenous Communities

Author(s) Antonia RG Alvarez, LMSW, PhD, Jeanelle Sugimoto-Matsuda, DrPH, MS, and Deborah Goebert, DrPH, MS

Empowering Veterans Project: A VA Community Engaged Partnered Approach to Implementing the National Strategies for the Prevention of Veteran Suicide in Arkansas

Author(s) Angie D. Waliski, PhD, LPC, NCC and Micheal Knox, DrPH, MPH, MS, NREMT

Assessing the Feasibility and Acceptability of Suicide Prevention in Tattoo Shops

Author(s) Sara A. Kohlbeck, PhD

Rediscovering Hope: An Empirical Phenomenological Exploration of the Veteran Peer Support Provider Journey through Recovery and Beyond

Author(s) Bobbi J. Smith, Ed.D., M.S.

Beliefs among Veteran firearm owners regarding when clinicians should discuss firearm safety with patients: Results from the 2019 National Firearms Survey

Author(s) Frances M. Aunon, PhD

The Influence of Social Support on Suicidal Risk by Gender Identity and Sexuality

Author(s) Kelley Cook, LCSW

Mount St. Helens

Predictors of suicidal thoughts among Canadian healthcare professionals during the COVID-19 pandemic

Author(s) Brianna J. Turner, PhD, RPsych

Suicide Prevention Training for the LGBTIQ+ Populations

Author(s) Marc J. Bryant, BA Hons and Shayne Connell, BA

Suicidality Among Emerging Adult Collegiate Athletes

Author(s) Rebecca D. Taylor, PhD, MSW, LCSW

Pandemic-Related Changes in Hospitalizations and Emergency Department Visits Involving Nonfatal Self-Harm Injuries, 2017–2020

Author(s) Kathryn Fingar, PhD, MPH

Does Relying on Verbalization of Suicide Ideation Often Miss Lethal Suicide Risk?

Author(s) Bill D. Geis, PhD

Co-Creating an Innovative Tool for Youth Suicide Prevention: Using Virtual Humans to Teach Adults How to Talk to Autistic Nonbinary Youth About Suicide

Author(s) Elizabeth (Liz) Baker, PhD

Predictors of Suicide and Associated Factors in Texas High School Adolescents

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CAUTION: Pediatric Emergency Medicine Suicide Screening may have Predictable Discrepancies that Affect Underserved Populations

Author(s) Steven C. Rogers, MD, MS

CBT Interventions for Suicide Prevention Among Caribbean Adults

Author(s) Sitara J. Rambarran, MS

Creation of Brochures to Address Suicide by Hanging in the Community

Author(s) Samantha O'Neill, MS

Crisis Care: An Innovative Telehealth Treatment Program for Elevated Suicide Risk

Author(s) Conor O'Neill, PhD

Difficulties in Emotion Regulation Scale (DERS-18) and Suicide Attempts in Suicidal Youth: One Month Follow-up after IOP

Author(s) Emma Turner, B.A. and Rebecca J. Wildman, BA

Does Hopelessness and Depression Mediate the Relationship Between Religiosity and Suicidal Ideation?

Author(s) Yi Jin Kim

Preventing Preadolescent Suicide Through Education and Community Care

Author(s) Mary E. Stover, EdD

Suicide Attempts Among Older Adults, National Syndromic Surveillance Program (NSSP), 2019-2023

Author(s) Natalie Lennon, MPH

Supporting Mental Health Care Providers After Patient Suicide

Author(s) Emily Barrows, MPH, RN DNP-candidate

The Evolution of the Children's Mental Health Crisis System in Oregon

Author(s) Amanda Ribbers, MS and Ilana R. Freeman, M.S.

Operation Deep Dive: First of its Kind Community-Based Study Examining Former Service Member, Suicide and Self-Injury Prevention

Author(s) Cheree Tham, LCSW

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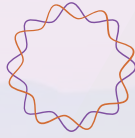
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