

Mental Health

Suicide Prevention/ Intervention Training



Training Professionals & Communities in
Suicide Prevention & Response®

Mental health and substance abuse providers are on the front lines of suicide prevention efforts. A unique community-based, public health approach, Connect training increases the competence of mental health and substance abuse providers in recognizing and responding to individuals who are suicidal or at risk for suicide. This training includes National Best Practice protocols, interactive case scenarios, discussion, exercises, PowerPoint, and printed materials.

Suicide Prevention/Intervention training highlights:

- Knowledge of National Best Practices for mental health and substance abuse providers in responding to suicidal behaviors
- Risk factors and warning signs for suicide risk assessment including an understanding of the difference between deliberate self harm and suicidal intent
- Intervening with clients or others at risk and connecting them with appropriate resources
- Options for disposition of individuals at risk: hospitalization vs. outpatient treatment including recommendations for building comprehensive safety and transition plans
- Communicating with parents/guardians/family members or other support persons during crisis situations
- Confidentiality requirements and communication with others who may be involved in the client's care or treatment
- Agency response plans for suicide incidents, decision trees for emergency response and standards for phone screening of emergency calls
- Best practices concerning restricting access to lethal means, safe messaging and communication about suicide
- Connecting with other health and mental health provider systems
- Individual, family and community risk and protective factors and ways to strengthen the positive influences that prevent suicide and other risk behaviors in a community through a collaborative approach
- Suicide as a public health issue and its impact on communities, family members and friends
- Suicide data and how age, gender, culture and other factors impact suicide risk
- The influence of electronic communication, including social networking, on suicide risk
- How misconceptions about suicide are a barrier for people getting help and positive action steps to reduce these barriers to help seeking
- Local resources and how they can be utilized for persons at risk
- Self care skills

Length: 6 hours or tailored for specific audiences

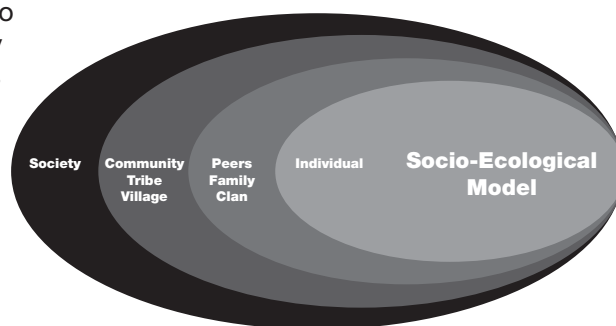
Audience: Mental health and substance abuse providers who conduct assessments, and/or provide counseling or emergency services in emergency rooms, outpatient practices, businesses (EAP), school/campus settings or private practice.

Location: your community

CEUs: Up to 6 Category 1 CEUs are available for this training through the NH NASW

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Using a holistic, socio-ecological model, Connect examines suicide in the context of the individual, family, community, and society.