

Education and Training Workgroup (addressing Goals 1, 4, 5 and 10)

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2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. (Conference call)

Introductions

Mariann Blacconiere	Hines VA
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Announcements - None

Discuss strategic plan revisions – Goal 1 and 5 merged - *“Increase awareness, knowledge, and competency in suicide prevention, assessment, and treatment for first responders, educational, health care, social service, clergy, law enforcement, and school personnel*

Review the recommendations made during the last meeting with regards to Goals 1 and 5 (merged.) The recommendations focused on nursing programs, hospital staff orientation programs, increased screening and assessment, bystander intervention programs and institutionalization of Best Practices/Evidence-Based-Informed practices.

The members would like to include objectives to address gatekeeper training and trauma informed care. Since some of the current objectives address schools, perhaps we can include objectives for the other at-risk age groups, such as older adults. The members also recommend looking at the original goals in the Illinois state plan to determine which ones to keep, in addition reviewing objectives 6.1-6.9 of the national plan.

Goal 4 – Promote the utilization of suicide prevention services for ~~victims of harassment and violence~~ for groups at high risk.

The members decided to reword the goal to reflect all special populations (see above,) then tweak objectives to address professionals’ competency and make victims feel more welcome. The following populations will be included in the objectives. (Members are asked to think about this goal and share ideas in the meantime.)

- *Victims of harassment and violence (sexual assault and/or physical abuse, bullying*
- *Victim of trauma (acute, multiple exposure, motor vehicle.*
- *Disabilities*
- *Chronic illnesses*
- *Veterans*
- *Age groups*
- *Racial and ethnic minority*
- *Attempt survivors*
- *Isolation – e.g., rural, older adults, etc.*

The Community Awareness Workgroup also is looking at the national objective 7.7 (and plan to revise it to reflect the hospitals role in the continuum of care for all victims. The Education and Training Workgroup was asked to also review this objective since it specifically addressed victims of sexual assault and/or physical abuse.

- Increase the proportion of hospital emergency departments that routinely provide immediate post-trauma psychological support and mental health education for all victims of sexual assault and/or physical abuse.

Jennifer will draft a worksheet to assist the members in reviewing the proposed objectives prior to the next meeting.

Set agenda items for next meeting

- I. Introductions
- II. Announcements
- III. Discuss strategic plan revisions, if needed
- IV. Set agenda items for next meeting

Submitted by Jennifer Martin