Illinois Suicide Prevention Alliance Data Workgroup

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Introductions

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Announcements

Mr. Flotow stated 2009 fatality data is expected to be released at the end of January 2012.

Update on strategic plan revisions with regards to data questions

No update.

Discuss any newly released suicide-related data

Mr. Flotow is on an advisory committee for the Illinois Violent Death Reporting System (IVDRS) which is operated by the Child Health Data Lab (CHDL.) The CHDL plans to release a data brief based on the IVDRS suicide-related data. The four-page data brief was pre-released to the advisory committee and Mr. Flotow is reviewing the suicide rates. The workgroup meetings would like to invite the CHDL director to an upcoming meeting to brainstorm how the alliance could utilized the IVDRS data, in addition to help disseminate the data.

Discuss data to include in the 2011 annual report

Maps of suicide rates/number by county – continue to include the county maps. Perhaps for the 2012 annual report, we could maps with 2005-2009 aggregated data, and then have an older map in the corner to demonstrate a time series; however, we'll need to explain what we are trying to illustrate (e.g., are the data stable, is there a change.)

Total injury death by intend pie chart – include both percentages and numbers.

New business

a) Develop injury specific data fact sheets – no update.

Set agenda items for next meeting

Same agenda as today's meeting.

Submitted by Jennifer Martin