

# Evolution of Data Management: Ohio Youth Suicide Assessment Program

Paul F. Granello, PhD LPCC

Associate Professor

The Ohio State University

# Program Status Prior to GLS Grant

- 39 sites
- Reporting to Columbia University  
Teenscreen & ODMH on number of  
screenings and outcomes

# Paper & Pencil Forms

- Benefits
  - Simple to use, basic technology
  - Relatively simple training needed by sites
- Drawbacks
  - Data entry on program coordinators end
  - Time consuming
  - Keeping track of all forms

# 2006 Grant Award: Program Expansion

- Increased information demands
- Evaluation
  - Complex: 100 sites; 100 variables; thousands of kids
  - Data collection: fidelity, timeliness
  - Feedback: reporting capability; helping to make meaning of data for constituents
  - Reporting to ODMH, Teenscreen, OSU, ORC Macro

# Standardized EXCEL Spreadsheet System

- Benefits
  - Uniform Data Entry By Sites
  - Quality/Complex Reporting
  - Data Analysis
- Drawbacks
  - Site Training On Use Required
  - Time Consuming
    - Hours To Aggregate Spreadsheets
    - Hours To Develop Reports

# WEB Based Data Collection

- **Benefits**
  - Data Input By Sites
  - Improved Data: Accuracy & Aggregation
  - “Real Time” Data
  - Reports Upon Request For Sites
  - Facilitated Upload to ORC Macro
- **Drawbacks**
  - Development Costs
  - Development Time
  - Advanced Training For Sites