The nation’s only federally supported resource center devoted to advancing the National Strategy for Suicide Prevention.
Developing a Culturally Responsive Suicide Prevention Strategy for Your Campus

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GLS Grantee Meeting
Bethune Cookman University

- Daytona Beach, Florida
- B-CU is a Historically Black University (HBCU) with a student population of 3,500 which includes several International students representing 13 different countries
- Project S.T.E.P.S. (Survival Through Education Prevention and Services). The grant targets three specific populations on campus, Veterans, African American first generation students and the LGBTQ student population.
Albuquerque, New Mexico

UNM is a Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI)
During the spring semester 2013, there were 27,197 students enrolled.

The UNM LGBTQ Resource Center served nearly 3000 people.

SAMHSA GLS grant, target population: LGBTQIA*, Native American & Intersections
University of Hawai`i at Hilo

- Hilo, Hawai`i Island
- Hawaii County is the most ethnically diverse county in the country (2000 Census); Poorest County in the State; Rural
- 36% low income
- 52% first generation
- Target Audiences: Gatekeepers, LGBTQI, Veterans, Families
University of Texas Brownsville and Texas Southmost College

- Brownsville, TX
- Student Population: 15,000
- Target Audiences: Students, Families, Staff and Faculty
Jackson State University

- Jackson, MS
- Student Population: 10,000
- JSU Students, Faculty, Staff, Administrators, and Parents
- Crisis Prevention Resource (CPR) Project
University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh

- Total enrollment: 13,461
- Undergraduate: 12,232
- Graduate: 1,229
- New first year: 1,870
- Transfer: 1,116
- Adults (age 25+): 1,930

Undergraduate Student Profile
- Men: 5,457
- Women: 8,004
- Multicultural students: 1,241
- International students: 115
- Average composite ACT: 22.4
- Average high school rank: 68.5 percent
Identity Wheel Exercise

Race
Sex
Gender
Religion
Class
Ability
Sexual Orientation
Age
Other
Panel Discussion
How has your strategy taken into consideration the unique identities of the students on your campus?
What are challenges that you face in reaching the target populations that you’ve identified?
How can sharing an identity with your target population be a pro or a con?
Questions?
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