Welcome! Our meeting will begin shortly!

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Creating and Using Partnerships to Reduce Access to Lethal Means for Suicide Prevention: Part 2

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Agenda

- Welcome
- Review Homework
- Discussion: Mobilizing on Current Events
- Presentation from Danette Gibbs, Ph.D.
- Presentation from Eileen Zeller, MPH
- Wrap up
Group Norms

✓ Be respectful and compassionate to each other
✓ Be respectful of other’s views – we may disagree, but we have a shared vision of reducing deaths by suicide
✓ Avoid/explain acronyms and jargon
✓ Be mindful of the time
✓ Be present
Recap—What We Learned Last Time

- Overview on reducing access to lethal means
- Information on building partnerships
- Susan Keys presentation on working with PCPs on discussing firearm access with suicidal patients
- Discussed how COVID-19 is affecting suicide prevention work around lethal means
Identify Synergy with Partner Priorities Review

✓ What goals could you align with a new prospective partner?

✓ What challenges can you foresee when working with the new prospective partner?

✓ What listening do you need to do to make your partnership more effective?
Poll #1

What is one of your next steps? (Select one)

- Identify a new partner for a specific lethal means reduction outcome
- Approach a new partner for this outcome
- Create a shared goal with existing partner(s)
- Other (write in chat)
Equity and Suicide Prevention
Source: Racial/Ethnic Differences in Mental Health Service Use Among Youth (SAMHSA, 2015).
Despite Consequences and Disease Burden, Treatment Gaps among African Americans Remain Vast

PAST YEAR, 2018 NSDUH, African American 12+


* No Treatment for SUD is defined as not receiving treatment at any location, such as a hospital (inpatient), rehabilitation facility (inpatient or outpatient), mental health center, emergency room, private doctor's office, self-help group, or prison/jail.
More than half (54%) of people who died by suicide did not have a known mental health condition.

Let’s Hear From You

✓ What are partnerships you currently have and/or could build to address equity and suicide?

✓ What resources have you found that have been helpful in this area?

➢ **Widening the Lens Toolkit** (MA Coalition for Suicide Prevention)

➢ **Equity in Mental Health Framework** (Steve Fund/Jed Foundation)
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Means Safety on a College Campus

Danette Gibbs, PhD
What Can Campuses Do?

Identify hotspots and conduct an environmental scan

Train providers/crisis responders/student service personnel.

Educate and address the campus culture
  – Drunk driving analogy

Means specific strategies...
Firearms
Medications
Poisoning
Hanging
Heights
Heights
Railroad Tracks

Suicide Sign Placement on Amtrak Routes and its Impact

Amtrak Suicide Strikes
June 2016 - June 2017

21 Amtrak Suicide Strikes BEFORE Suicide Prevention Signs were Installed
(within a 3 mile range)

Amtrak Suicide Strikes
June 2017 - June 2018

12 Amtrak Suicide Strikes AFTER Suicide Prevention Signs were Installed
(within a 3 mile range)

43% Reduction
Advocating for Means Safety Work

Explain the need.

Speak their language.

Identify the win-wins.

Start out with simple steps.

Gather data to show progress.
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Poll #2

What is your dream superpower? (Select one)

- Teleportation
- Flight
- Invisibility
- Time travel
- Super strength
- Other (please write in chat!)
Applying Strategies to Other Environments

✓ Think of a campus as a microcosm of a state, county, town, community

✓ Advocacy lessons can be widely applied
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Extreme Risk Protection Orders

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Social Ecological Model

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Educational Fund to Stop Gun Violence
What is an Extreme Risk Law?

A state law that provides law enforcement and families – and in some states health professionals and/or school personnel – with a formal legal process for asking a court to temporarily

(1) remove firearms from, and

(2) prevent the purchase of firearms by

a person who is at risk of violence to self or others.
ERPO Components

- Emergency intervention
- Temporary (can’t possess or purchase)
- Due process
- Does not result in a criminal record
- Is not triggered by a mental health diagnosis
States with ERPOs
(July 1, 2020)
Police found firearms in 99% of cases, removing an average of seven guns per warrant.

Nearly one-third of respondents received mental health and/or substance abuse treatment after a risk-warrant was issued.

**ESTIMATE: FOR EVERY 10-20 WARRANTS ISSUED 1 LIFE SAVED.**
Issues

• Second Amendment
• Historically marginalized communities
  • BIPOC
  • LGBTQ, esp. transgender people and Black transgender people
  • People with mental illness
  • Attempt survivors
• Stigmatization
Building Partnerships
EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDER:
A TOOL TO SAVE LIVES

ERPO laws are helping to prevent gun deaths and protect communities. Their implementation – in 19 states and the District of Columbia – is part of a national effort to reduce the daily loss of life due to firearm violence, including gun suicide.

This evolving resource will be frequently updated to help implementers take action – and save lives.
Questions?

Thank you!

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Poll: Write In

Write in Poll:
What would you like to learn in the future about reducing access to lethal means?
Wrap-up

Coming to you via email:

✓ Follow-up resources and notes from this meeting
Thank you!

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