Division of Behavioral Health

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• Overview
• DSS - Behavioral Health Website
  https://dss.sd.gov/behavioralhealth/
Suicide Prevention

• **Youth Suicide Prevention Grant**— increase identification, support, services, and awareness to reduce suicide risk among at-risk youth 10 to 24 years of age
  
  – Grant Initiatives
    • Implement evidence-based trainings in communities, health care settings, and behavioral health providers
    • Use of crisis texting for college-age young adults
    • Promote participation in a follow-up program for those hospitalized for suicidality
    • Awareness campaigns
    • Engage Suicide Prevention Community Coalitions
Community Coalition Partners

- There are currently 10 active community suicide prevention coalitions in South Dakota:
  - Aliive Roberts County – Sisseton
  - Mitchell Area Suicide Prevention – Mitchell
  - EMPOWER – Hot Springs
  - Youthwise – Spearfish
  - Front Porch Coalition – Rapid City
  - Michael Glynn Memorial Coalition – White River
  - Watertown Healthy Youth – Watertown
  - Sioux Falls Suicide Prevention Task Force – Sioux Falls
  - Northern State University – Aberdeen
  - Wellness Coalition – University of South Dakota, Vermillion
SD Suicide Prevention Resources

The South Dakota Suicide Prevention website provides

• Information about suicide
• How to get help
• Information for survivors of suicide
• Upcoming trainings
• Toolkit resources to help address specific populations including high school students, Native Americans, and primary care providers
• Information for professionals
• Information for starting a coalition
• Statistics

• Website: http://sdsuicideprevention.org/

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Strong Families - South Dakota’s Foundation and Our Future
Awareness campaigns
Zero Suicide

• A workshop was held May 24, 2017 in Sioux Falls

• 54 people participated from 13 organizations including 7 community mental health centers, Avera, Sanford, Regional Health, Our Home, Human Services Center, and Indian Health Services
Upcoming Zero Suicide Plans

- June 2018 – 2 day conference:
  Day 1 will be for those who have not attended a Zero Suicide workshop in the past
  Day 2 will be a refresher training for the providers who attended the Zero Suicide workshop in May 2017

- Community of Learning webinars and conference calls beginning in October 2017 through May 2018.