

Nebraska State Suicide Prevention Coalition (NSSPC)

Meeting Minutes June 27, 2014, 1:00 pm CST Bryan West Hospital

Attendees: Sue Adams, Don Belau, Mandy Bell, Scott Ehler, Crystal Fuller, Jennifer Fry, Terri Marti, Dave Miers, Pam Oltman, Ray Reimer, Andres Sandoval, Christine Schmidt, Netti Sikyta, Libby Stevenson, Hayley Sutter, and Donna Wolff

I. Approval of Minutes

Jennifer made a motion to approve the May 23, 2014 meeting minutes pending update of the Friendship Home training on July 17. Terri seconded this motion; the meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

II. Coalition Updates

a. Norfolk

Norfolk was awarded the Blue Cross Blue Shield wellness grant for \$10,000; a check awarding ceremony will be held on July 8 at 6:00 PM at the First Baptist Church (404 W Benjamin Ave). Norfolk is still waiting to hear if they have been awarded the United Way grant. Donna and Katie will be traveling to Indianapolis in July for the AFSP youth support group training. A fundraising walk will be held in September. There have been two completions in the last month prompting Norfolk to consider putting together a proposal to start a youth support and education group. Donna will be conducting a QPR training on August 4 in Lincoln schools.

b. Other Coalitions

No update.

c. State Coalition

III. Update from Outreach Coordinator – Jennifer Fry

Jennifer attended the United Methodist Conference and was able to network with other professionals and was made aware of possible grant opportunities. Boys Town was contacted to gauge future grant opportunities and collaboration with the Coalition. The coalition will be submitting a logo for consideration for the SPRC's 'Your Life Matters Campaign' logo contest. The Governor's proclamation signing will be held on September 2 at 11:00 am at the Governor's office. The Nebraska Safety Council may incorporate suicide prevention materials in their informational materials. The seed grant applications are due by midnight on June 30.

IV. National Updates

The Action Alliance for Suicide Prevention will be hosting a two-day training for zero suicide training; this training will help health providers to identify best practices for those at risk for suicide. Nebraska does not currently have the opportunity to be in the Zero Suicide Academy, but will likely in the future. Suicide rates have not changed much since 2011. The national suicide rate is 12.7 per 100,000 people; Nebraska's rate is 10.5 per 100,000 people, ranking it 43 in the nation. Nationally, suicide used to be the 3rd highest cause of death among young people; now it is the 2nd leading cause of death. More statistics and facts can be found online at Suicidology.org. A webinar on LGBT suicide risk will be held on July 10.

V. LOSS Development Advisory Group

a. LOSS Walk Recap

151 participants attended the LOSS walk; several individuals indicate interest in participating in the walk next year. A meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 1 at Doane College for LOSS walk participants interested in joining the LOSS team. The LOSS walk generated a net revenue of

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\$2,318.15. Saturday, May 30 has tentatively been identified as the date for the 2015 LOSS walk. The LOSS Team is in the process of scheduling an event to present the wreath from the LOSS walk to Interchurch Ministries of Nebraska.

VI. Grant Update

The Coalition is still waiting to hear about the SAMHSA grant; the grant award is likely to be announced in the fall. The grant to implement the national suicide prevention strategy will be on hold until next year.

VII. ISFAC Meeting

The ISFAC meeting provided an opportunity for resource sharing and problem solving; a significant amount of emotional frustration in the military is the high rate of attempts and completions by military personnel. The current needs have been identified and strategies to meet these needs will be implemented.

VIII. Collaboration

a. Update LB 923

Included in LB 923 was the appointment of a safety security person and one-hour of suicide prevention training. Amy from the Omaha Chapter of the National American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, Senator McGill, and the Coalition will meet to discuss the next steps of the bill; this meeting may be postponed until the end of the year as the bill does not go into effect until the 2015-2016 school year. Schools have already started to contact the Coalition regarding school trainings. It was recommended the Coalition draft language to put on the website informing schools and state representatives about the bill and what trainings have been approved.

IX. Awareness

a. Don't Be Sidelined Campaign (Partnership with The Kim Foundation)

The Don't Be Sidelined Campaign partner meeting was recently held; the Coalition has decided to continue to partner with the Kim Foundation on the campaign. The Kim Foundation is working to get partners identified and recommitted to the campaign. A football game has been identified for the fall; other events for the 2014-2015 school year include a volleyball game, men's and women's basketball game, and baseball game. Anthony will continue to serve as the spokesman for the campaign.

X. Member Activity Update

Nearly 100 people attended a health fair hosted by the Indian Center in Lancaster County over Memorial Day weekend; the health fair included 25 vendors including the National Guard and a QPR training. The 2015 health fair is scheduled for May 3. Netti is a certified mental health first aid provider and can give free trainings throughout the year. The Indian Center is planning two events in July and a community learning webinar.

XI. Next Loss Development Group Meeting

The next meeting will be held on July 18, 2014 in Classroom 3. All meetings begin at 12:00 Noon at Bryan West Hospital.

XII. Next Coalition Meeting

The next meeting will be held on July 18, 2014 in Classroom 3. All meetings begin at 1:00 PM at Bryan West Hospital.