

Connect Postvention Training

What: *Connect*, a National Best Practice Program, will facilitate a training on suicide postvention (healing and reducing risk after a suicide) for key stakeholders in community-based coalitions.

Why: A suicide or other untimely traumatic death can have a devastating impact on a community. The shock and grief goes well beyond immediate family and friends, and can have a ripple effect on many others in the community.

This training provides national best practices in responding to a suicide death to reduce risk and promote healing for individuals, families, communities, schools and organizations.

When: Thursday, May 19, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Where: Virtual - Zoom

Who should attend: Managers and front-line staff in law enforcement, fire, EMS, education, social services, mental health and substance use, faith leaders, funeral directors, and coroners/medical examiners.

Training Highlights:

- Community response to the suicide death of a client or community member
- Recognizing warning signs for suicide in clients or other community members after a suicide death
- Strategies for encouraging help-seeking, reducing stigma, and promoting healing
- Best practices on communicating safely about suicide and working with the media
- Funeral and memorial guidelines
- Understanding the needs and experience of survivors of suicide loss
- Promoting collaboration among key stakeholders
- Strategies for reducing the risk of contagion, especially with youth
- Awareness of the complexity of suicide-related grief and its cultural context
- Protocols for organizations, schools and/or communities who lose someone to suicide,
- Resources for loss survivors

Pre-Register:

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