

Connecticut Suicide Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date:	10/10/13	Location:	United Way of CT
<p>Present: Tim Marshall (DCF); Marisa Giarnella Porco (JMPMF); Nina Rovinelli Heller (UConn School of Social Work); Mary Drexler (CCPG); Jim DeLoughery (CASAC); Corrine King (Wheeler Clinic); Dave Denino; Rich Monterosso (Enfield Schools); Colleen Sullivan (OCA) Faith VosWinkel (OCA); Andrea Duarte (DMHAS); Mui Mui Hin-McCormick (Commission on APA); Sandy Lomonico (VA); Latonya Harts (VA); Lindsay Errico; Mike Dutko (CTNG); Susan Tobenkin (CTNG); Lisa Barry (UConn Center on Aging); Amy Hanoi an Fontana (CPCC); Tammy Van Linter (Rushford); LoriBeth Young (DSS); Sara Wakai (UCHC); Sara Mucci (United Way of CT 2-1-1); Kevin Borrup (CCMC)</p>			
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<p>II. Presentation- CT Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission: Mui Mui Hin-McCormick, Executive Director</p>	<p>CT Asian Pacific American (APA) Affairs Commission was started by a coalition and reports yearly to the CT General Assembly, outlining their priorities and success to meeting the priorities. They represent individuals from 50 countries and APA is the fastest growing minority population. There are four geographically-based groups of APA: Pacific Islanders, Southeast Asians, East Asians, and South Asians (highest in CT). The county with the highest population of APA in Connecticut is Fairfield County and the lowest is Windham County. The town with the highest population is Stamford.</p> <p>One of the major issues the APA population faces is accessing services. They do not access services because of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The language barrier • Lack of knowledge of services • Cultural barriers (#1 along with family barrier) • Value of privacy <p>There is an Asian Family Services program out of CRT located in West Hartford it is the only Asian-specific clinic in Connecticut.</p> <p>CT APA Affairs Commission works with the community leaders in the APA community to reach APA individuals and get them the services they need. When working with the APA population, developing trusting relationships is key.</p> <p>The CT APA Affairs Commission brought in Eliza Noh, Ph.D., to address suicidality in the APA population. The CT APA Affairs Commission provides/coordinates free interpreters. They are working to develop "iSpeak" cards to educate providers about the language the APA individual speaks. They are doing this</p>		<p>Tim and Mui Mui will work on translating the wallet card into the top APA native languages.</p> <p>Andrea, Tim and Mui Mui will work together to utilize the interpretation services for DMHAS and DCF programs</p>

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	<p>project to discourage children from interpreting for their parents. In February 2014, they will conduct a needs assessment of the APA community.</p> <p>The CT APA Commission is looking to learn as much as they can about the services members of the APA provide and partners on future events.</p> <p>Presentation: http://www.ctclearinghouse.org/files/customer-files/756-April-12-2013-Dr--Eliza-Noh-Presentation.ppt CT APAAC Website: http://ctapaac.com/apa-facts/</p>	
III. Minutes	Meeting minutes are now being posted on the www.preventsuicidect.org website. The August minutes have not been completed.	Andrea and Lovelyn will complete and post the August and September meeting minutes.
IV. Updates regarding priority areas and sub-committees	<p>A. Awareness Campaign/Website</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nina would like to see an evaluation of the awareness campaign. Tim would like all areas of the state to be reached before completing an evaluation. Sara and Rob could possibly develop the evaluation tool. 2. Website Calendar-Event Management: the postvention resources now have their own section on the website but are also mixed into the specific populations 3. Materials/Marketing: new materials were purchased and are available through the United Way and Wheeler. The next purchase will be training give-away items. <p>B. Statewide Network</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. September Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9/26 Annual Meeting: limited data from the UCHC presentation will be released. It was determined during Tom and Ashley's presentations some activities were not captured. • Suicide Prevention Month activities <p>C. Evidence-Based Practice Promotion</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Intervention-Postvention Response Committee: Tim is unsure if they have the ability to respond to a death and be known as a credible expert. DCF would like to establish a pilot postvention 	<p>C1. Andrea will follow up with NAMI NH to have them come provide technical assistance in postvention protocol development. C1. Faith will deliver a modified version of the NAMI NH postvention training at the next meeting. C1. Corrine will</p>

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	<p>response team (fee-for-service) that would have a mechanism, definition, and protocols to respond as an active team. We would like to study the response to the Enfield deaths and determine the success and how it was received. Major Crimes could assist in postvention services. Discussion included having NAMI NH consult on developing a postvention response protocol for our state. Faith has met with the new Chief Medical Examiner.</p> <p>2. Armed Forces: distributing the family brochures, having the NAMI NH Connect Postvention TOT on December 11-13 and Columbia Suicide Severity Rating Scale (CSSRS) will be implemented Guard-wide during health screenings and with the clinicians after the government shutdown ends. They are printing the “Preventive Maintenance Checks & Service” notebook, which will be distributed soon.</p> <p>D. State Plan</p> <p>1. Updates: Major themes will be identified from speed dating activity; all the entries are being entered and examined. Everyone who wasn’t present will be able to give input on the draft of the plan. The goal of the plan is to motivate those who are not doing suicide prevention to embed it into their services.</p>	<p>develop a postvention training flier for next month’s meeting.</p>
<p>V. Updates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enfield did QPR before school Open House. Rich from Enfield recommends it to anyone working with schools to reach parents who are already coming into the schools. • The text service, a project from Contact USA, should be launched in January 2014. It is currently being piloted in 3 areas and they are working to certify more centers to handle the expected volume of calls. Currently they are receiving texts from 10-23 year olds. • CCPG Conference- October 30 The Emerging Skyline: Recognizing Problem Gambling Across Cultures/Special Populations www.ccpog.org • Injury Control Research Center for Suicide Prevention Webinar https://events-na1.adobeconnect.com/content/connect/c1/1002235226/en/events/event/shared/default_template_simple/event_landing.html?sco-id=1453413156& charset =utf-8 • QPR TOT will be held on November 4 and December 4. All interested participants who want to become trainers must fill out an application Word: http://www.ctclearinghouse.org/files/customer-files/753-QPR-TOT-application-2013-11.docx 	

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Next Meeting	<p>The next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 7, 2013 and will start promptly at 8:30a.m. with an Overview of the Connect Postvention Training (NAMI NH) by Faith VosWinkel, Office of the Child Advocate. The meeting will conclude at 12 p.m.</p> <p>2013-14 Meeting Schedule: 2nd Th. of each month from 9-11 AM. The meeting location is changing to the Armed Forces Reserve Center, 375 Smith St., Middletown, CT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12/12/13 • 1/9/14 • 2/13/14 • 3/13/14 • 4/10/14 • 5/8/14 • 6/12/14 • 7/10/14 • 8/14/14 • 9/11/14 • 10/9/14 • 11/13/14 • 12/11/14 	Faith will work with Tom Steen to prepare and present the training.