



Regional Suicide Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: January 4, 2022

Location: Zoom Meeting

Present: Ann Grueutal, Ann Daigle, Daria Papalia, Jo-Ann Chenail, Drew Lavallee, Katie Bell, Kelsey Hust, Kim Grant, Lisa Girard, Maggie Wood, Sandra Fairbairn, Nicole Marcoux, Scott Barton, Janice Suplicki, Romeo Blackmar, Raleigh Orzulak, Marissa Kach, Adele Cyr, Mairead Peters

Staff: Michele Devine, Jennifer Buckley, Mark D. Irons, & Patrick Boyle

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Welcome & Introductions	Participants were asked to enter their name & organization within the chat.	
New Staff	Mark D. Irons (Suicide Prevention Program Lead) & Patrick Boyle SPF & Suicide Prevention Program Assistant introduced themselves to the group. (1st board meeting since both hirings)	
Membership	All are welcome and participants were encouraged to invite their colleagues to join our meetings. Group was provided a reminder that there are two work groups (Prevention & Postvention) and asked to consider joining the sub-group which best matches their role. An email will be going out to request the use of member information in a running document to be provided to the entire board to assist with problem solving and encourage collaboration.	
Presentation: The Cove: Center for Grieving Children. Mairead Peters, Program Coordinator mairead@covect.org	Information was provided on the services offered by the Cove. Particular attention was given to the virtual groups offered twice a month for adolescents (14-17) & young adults (18-21) respectively. The referral and intake processes were explained. During the Q&A portion, there was interest in dialoguing further with the Cove about offering a family group in the Northeast. Members were encouraged to gauge interest and share with SERAC staff.	

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CTSAB Update	Information was provided on the GIZMO pilot occurring in AHM school district, status of 988 was discussed, continued efforts to embed the CTSAB in Connecticut General Statue (CSG) and all were encouraged to visit the 1 Word, 1 Voice, 1 Life website for free materials, trainings, and resources for across the life span.	
SERAC Updates	Information was provided on the DCF/DMHAS grant which is funding the Suicide Prevention efforts. Upcoming Trainings <i>Intentional Relationships</i> Tuesday 1/25/22 9-12:30, <i>QPR/Narcan</i> Wednesday 1/26/22 9-10:30 & <i>Understanding Trauma – Trauma Informed Schools</i> 2/2/22 9-11.	
Next Dates	Postvention Work Group: February 1st & May 3rd Prevention Work Group: March 1st & June 7th RSAB: April 5th & July 7th All meetings 9-10:30 via Zoom @ present	