



**April 9, 2026**

- 9:00-10:30 AM Coalition Meeting
- 10:30-11:00 AM Board Meeting

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**AGENDA**

- I. 9:00 - 9:10 Welcome & Introductions
- II. 9:10 - 9:40 Megan Avery and Laura Vandermeulen, DMHAS MSW Interns, *Research on AI and Youth Mental Health*
- III. 9:40 - 10:05 Review of Activities since last report out
  - Committees – Intervention/Postvention and Attempt Survivor/Lived Experience
  - RSABs – Amplify (Region 4-North Central) and Western CT Coalition (Region 5-Western)
  - Awareness Campaign / Website / Outreach efforts
- IV. 10:05 - 10:15 Statewide Announcements of Upcoming Events/Trainings to highlight / promote - Open to anyone in attendance
- V. 10:15 - 10:30 CTSAB Business Reports
  - Minutes approval
  - Statewide News/Updates from Tri-Chairs
  - Suicide-related Grant Initiative Updates – Garrett Lee Smith State Youth Suicide Prevention Grant: CT Partnerships for Hope and Healing (PH2)
- VI. *Close of Coalition Meeting*
- VII. 10:30 – 11:00 Board Meeting

2026 Meeting Dates/Presentations (2<sup>nd</sup> Th. monthly):

5/7: State Conference (*Registration required*)

6/11: Christine Cha, Ph.D., Yale Child Study Center, New Research in the Field of Suicide and Capturing the Youth Perspective

7/9: James Kimmel, JD, Yale School of Medicine, The Science of Revenge

8/13: James Geisler, Ph.D., JG Consulting, Joiner Theory and New Research

9/10: (World Suicide Prevention Day) Paula Gill-Lopez, Self Care and Wellness Practices for Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Specialists

10/8: Lisette Rimer, Author, Back From Suicide: Personal Story of Suicide Loss

11/12: Elisha Logan, Suicide prevention and use of the Columbia Suicide Severity Rating Scale (C-SSRS) in the veteran population

12/10: Year End Committee Summaries

Contact Us at [www.preventsuicidect.org/about-ctsab/contact-us/](http://www.preventsuicidect.org/about-ctsab/contact-us/) if you'd like to present or have presentation suggestions.

See page 2 for a list of the *Regional Suicide Advisory Boards*

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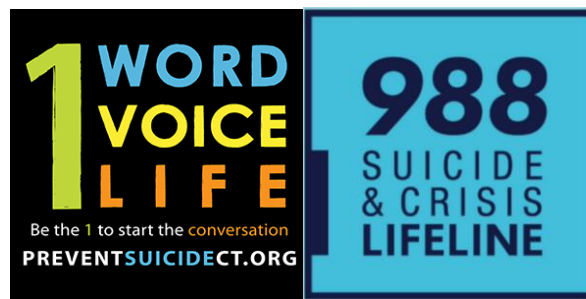
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