

Suicide Prevention. Everyone can Help.

Preventing Suicide in the Latino Community

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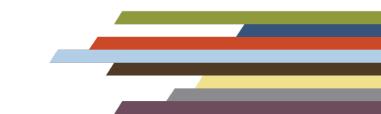


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Our Mission

The Mission and Goal of The National Latino Behavioral Health Association is to influence national behavioral health policy, eliminate disparities in funding and access to services, and improve the quality of services and treatment outcomes for Latino populations.





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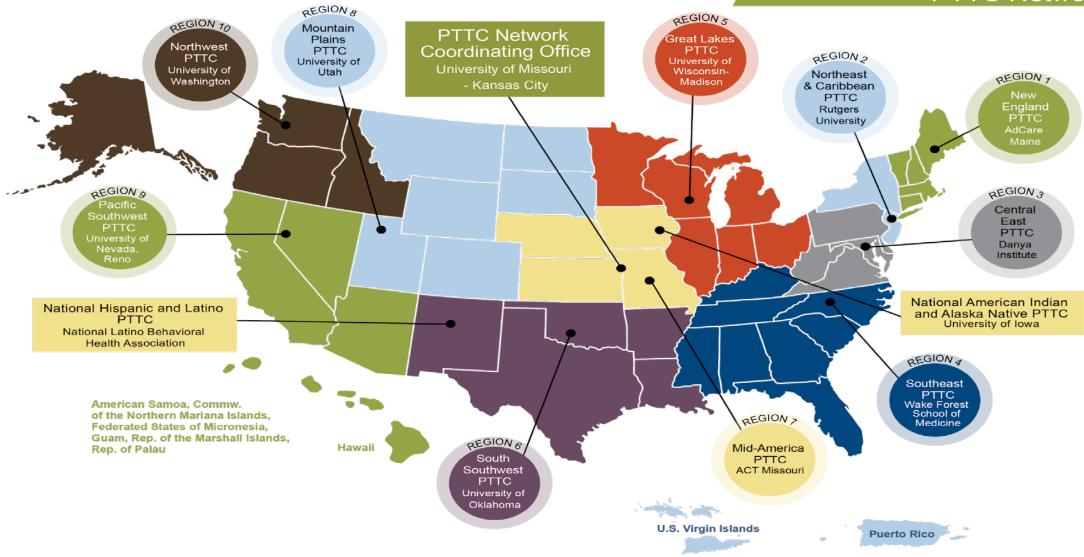
Our Objective is to provide national leadership on mental health and substance abuse concerns of the Latino community in five major areas of focus:

- ❖ Policy Issues in Mental Health and Substance Abuse
- Education and Workforce issues
- Mental Health and Substance Abuse Service Delivery
- Latino Focused Behavioral Health Research
- Latino Family Focused Interventions





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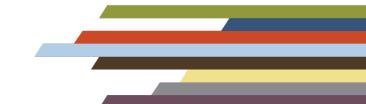
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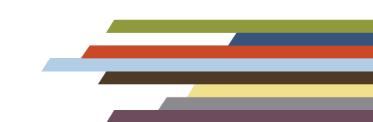
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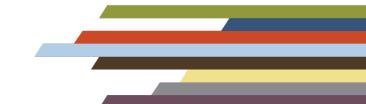




What is Suicide and Why is a Problem

For each death by suicide—135 people are affected (Cerel, 2019)



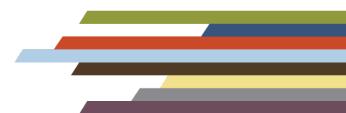


National Statistics

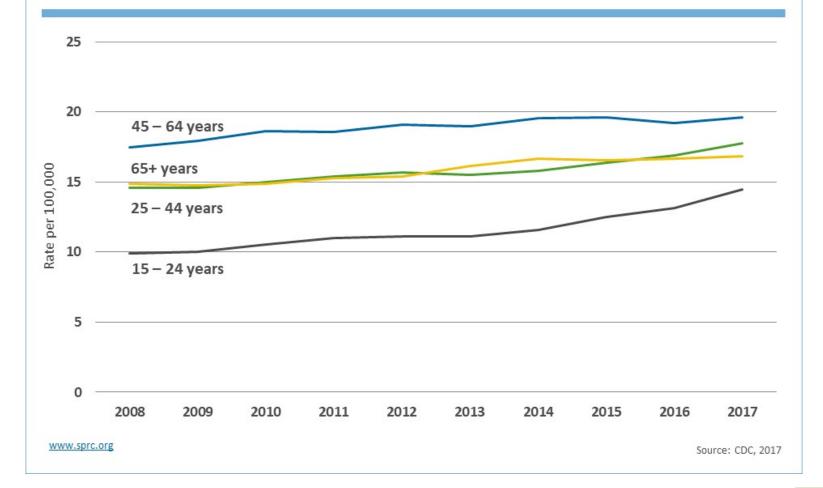
- 47,000 people died by suicide in 2017 alone. More than double than homicide (19,500) NVDR-CDC
- For each death by suicide—229 seriously considers suicide (Cerel, 2019)
- US adolescents and young adults second leading cause of death. CDC
- Suicide is a leading cause of death among college and university students in the United States. SPRC







Suicide Rates by Age, United States 2008-2017



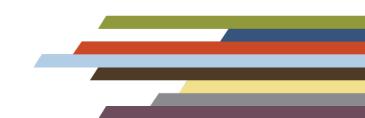


Hispanic Statistics

- Suicide attempt on Hispanic girls is higher than whites, blacks and Asian.
- 19% of Hispanic high school students have seriously contemplated suicide
- 13.5% Hispanic girls have attempted suicide at least once in their lives.

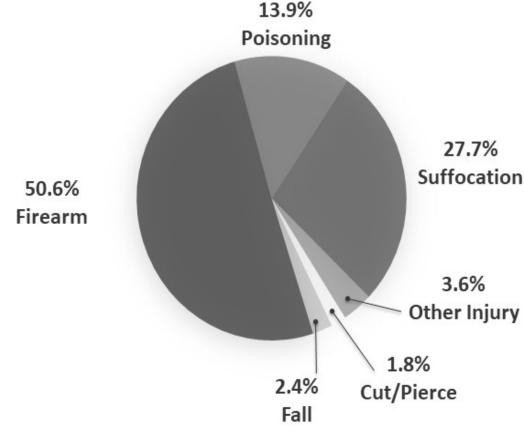






Means of Suicide

- Males die by suicide more than females, but females make more attempts.
- Most males die by firearms, most females die by ingestion of poisonous substances.



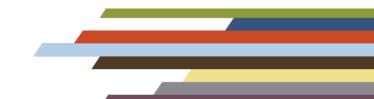
Source: CDC



Risk Factors

- Personal: low self-esteem, social alienation, poor problem-solving skills
- Family: Parent/s mental health history, dysfunctional parent/s relationships, sexual abuse, neglect
- Behavioral: Depressive, substance abuse, conduct disorders, selfinjury, hopelessness, mood and anxiety disorders
- Environmental: Access to gun or prescription drugs, stress from being different

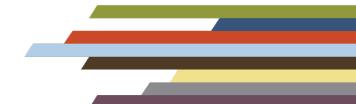




Life Stressors for Suicide Risk

- Legal problems
- Medical and health problems specially on older adults
- Intimate partner violence and other forms of violence
- Important loss such a death of a loved one, loose a job, important relationships
- Personal humiliation, bullying

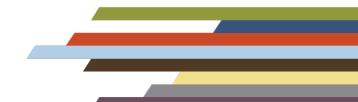




Warning Signs

- The most predictive risk factor for suicide across a life span is having a previous suicide attempt.
- Talking about or threatening to complete a suicide
- Actively looking for means to harm oneself
- Sudden changes in behavior, especially following a painful event or loss, or even moving



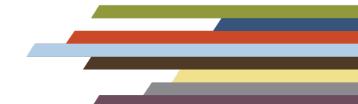


Elevated Risks

- When viewed as different
- Victim of harassment and discrimination
- Belonging to the following groups:

LGBTQ, victim of bullying, gifted, returning to school after a suicide attempt

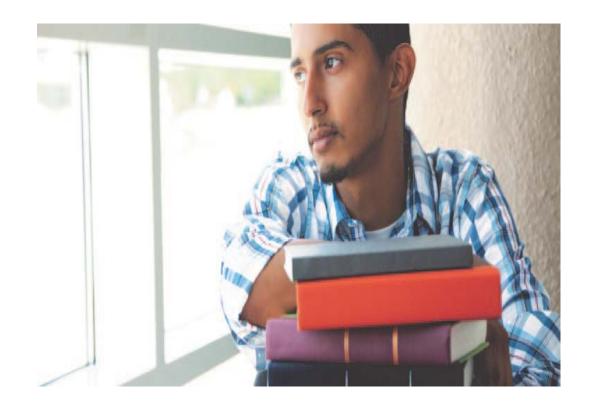




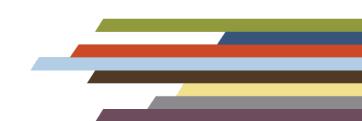
Risk Factors for Hispanics

- Alienation
- Acculturative stress and family conflict
- Hopelessness
- Discrimination

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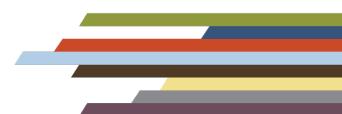




Good News



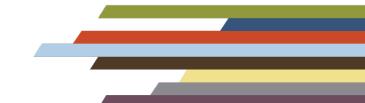




Protective Factors

- Behavioral Health Care
- Connectedness to individuals, family, community, and social institutions
- Life Skills and problem-solving skills (including coping skills, ability to adapt to change)
- Self-esteem and a sense of purpose or meaning in life
- Cultural, religious, or personal beliefs that discourage suicide
- Most significant for Hispanic populations:
 - >Strong family and community support systems
 - >Ethnic affiliation
 - >Spirituality and moral objections to suicide
 - >Caring from teachers





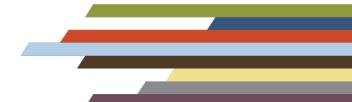
CULTURE IS PREVENTION



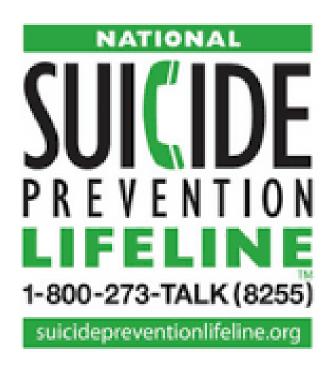
Action Steps to Help

- Listen. Don't argue, threaten or raise your voice. Don't debate whether suicide is right or wrong.
- Dare to ask, examples:
 - "It sounds like things are really rough right now, and I am concerned about you. Are you thinking about killing yourself?"
 - (or) "Have you ever thought about attempting to kill yourself?"
- Share and persuade the use of resources that are available 24/7 and other accessible to the person
- If the person need immediate help:
 - ✓ Do not leave the person alone
 - ✓ Remove any drugs, alcohol, firearms, and sharp objects
 - √ Take the person to a medical/mental health professional
 - ✓ Never keep talk about suicide a secret





Immediate Live Help 24/7







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QPR Institute



(Question, Persuade, Refer)

REMEMBER

When you utilized the QPR techniques you are planting seeds of **HOPE**. **HOPE prevent** suicide.



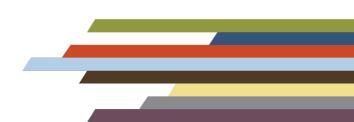
Prevención de Suicidio Pregunte y salve una vida

(Pregunte, Persuada, Refiera).

RECUERDE

Cuando usted utilizas las técnicas de QPR, siembra las semillas de la **ESPERANZA**. La **ESPERANZA** es lo que **previene** el suicidio.









Freddy E. @Freddy_E I'm sorry.



Freddy E. @Freddy_E God... please forgive me. Expand



Freddy E. @Freddy_E I love you Katherine. Expand



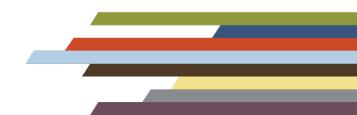
Freddy E. @Freddy_E
I love you Dad.



Freddy E. @Freddy_E I love you Mom.

- Facebook Suicide Prevention webpage can be found at www.facebook.com/help/594991777257121/
- Instagram uses automated tools in the app to provide resources, which can also be found online at https://help.instagram.com
- Snapchat's Support provides guidance at https://support.snapchat.com
- Twitter's Best Practices in Dealing With Self-Harm and Suicide at https://support.twitter.com
- YouTube's Safety Center webpage can be found at https://support.google.com/youtube

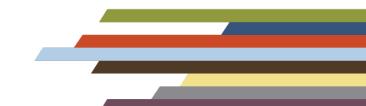




My CETPA Experience

- Starting the Gwinnett Suicide Prevention Coalition
- Implementing Sources of Strength in a High and Middle School
- HEROES youth group (youth advisory 'board' team)
- Radio dissemination
- Suicide documentary
- QPR Gatekeeper
- CNN en espanol special
- Youtube presentations





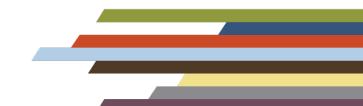
Link for documentary



Suicide Prevention Resources

- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. 800-273-TALK. <u>www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org</u>
- Society for the Prevention on Teen Suicide. <u>www.sptsusa.org</u>
- Suicide Prevention Resource Center <u>www.sprc.org</u>
- National Action Alliance for Suicide Prevention <u>www.theactionalliance.org</u>
- American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, www.afsp.org
- Trevor Lifeline. A crisis intervention and suicide prevention phone service for LGBTQ available 24/7.
 www.thetrevorlifeline.org
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration (SAMHSA). www.samhsa.gov
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). <u>www.cdc.gov</u>
- National Institute of Mental Health. www.nimh.gov
- National Alliance on Mental Illness. www.nami.org

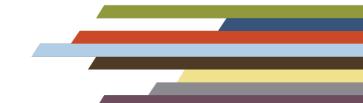


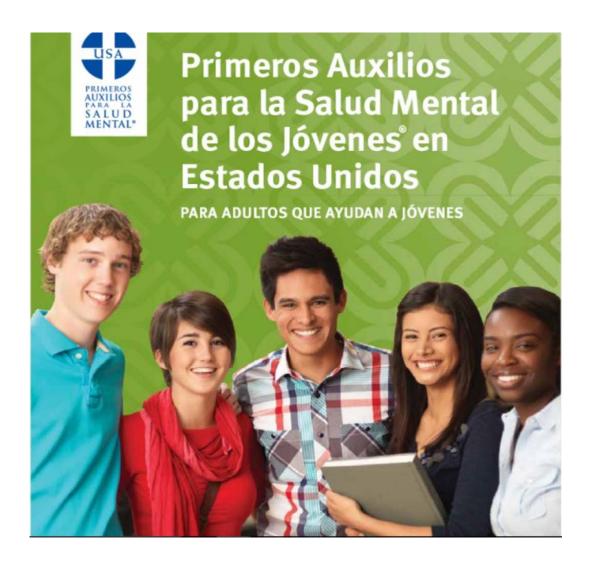


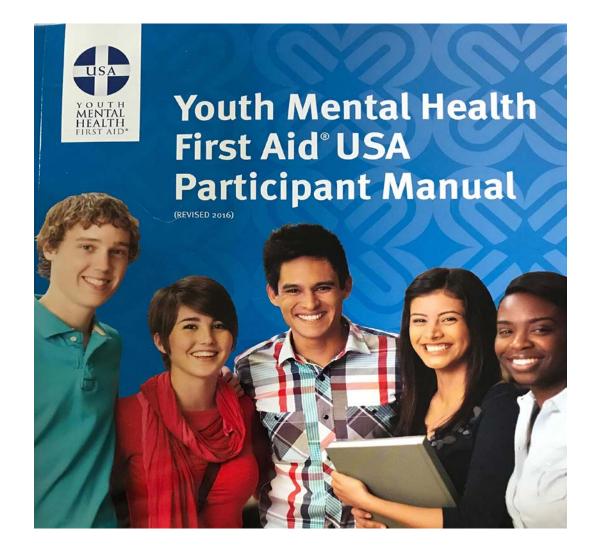
Suicide Prevention Resources

- HOPELine-Spanish Speaking Crisis Hotline: (800) 784-2432-
- Know the Signs (English) (Español)
- My3- Cell phone app
- SAVE (Suicide Awareness Voices of Education) (English) (952) 946-7998 (Spanish support group)
- Each Mind Matters Suicide Prevention Brochure (Español)
- NIMH Suicide Prevention Resource Center (English) (Español)











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Sources of Strength





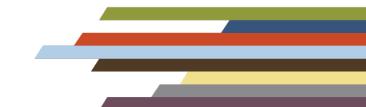
SOS by Heroes





DEALING WITH AMBIVALENCE

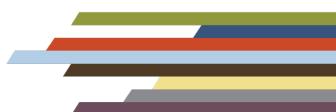










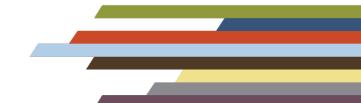


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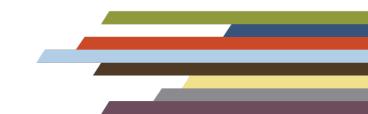
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