

## Addressing Suicide Risk & Prevention: A Community Approach

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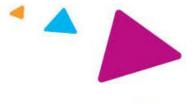


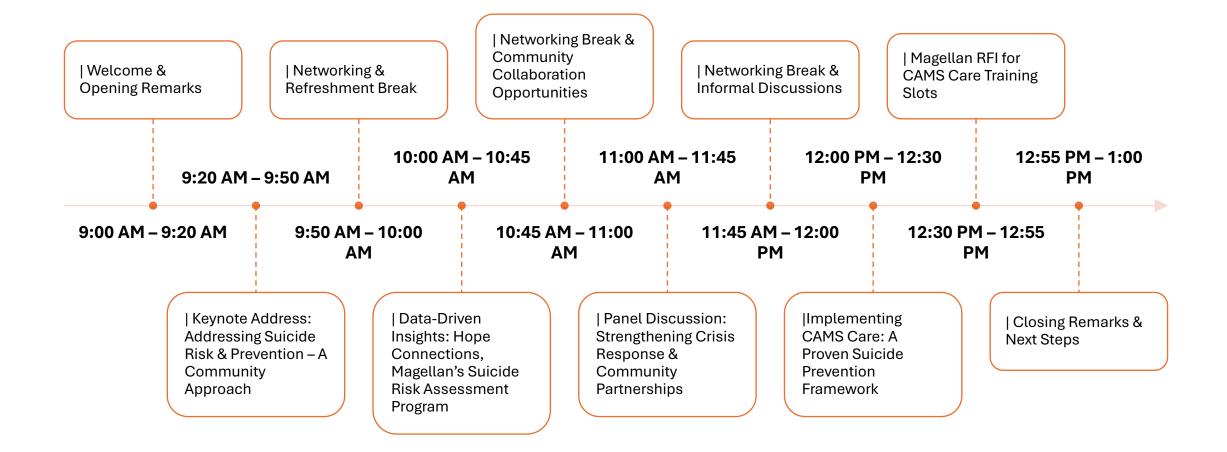


- October 2024 → April 2025
  - Connecting the Dots in Our Community-Wide Commitment
- Workforce Development
- Social Determinants of Health (SDoH) & DEI
- Behavioral Health Continuum of Care
- Emergency Department (ED) Boarding



## Agenda







# Aligning Community Partners on Suicide Prevention Strategies



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## Understanding the Challenge

- Suicide triggers an automatic response of hospitalization, but more information is crucial for decision-making.
- **Behavioral Health** is complex: Diagnosis relies on interviews, not objective measures like a blood pressure cuff.
- **High Risk of Error**: The word "suicide" often leads to over-response due to the difficulty in determining intent and risk.
- Current System: Hospitalization is common, but it may not always be the most appropriate response. This can contribute to rising suicide rates.
- A Better Approach: Behavioral health is moving towards more reliable assessments, offering a new way to communicate across disciplines.



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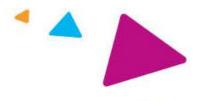


## Community Collaboration

- Need for community-wide involvement to address suicide, including healthcare and beyond.
- Connecting with the Silent Victims: Focus on those who don't seek help before it's too late.
- **Expanding Screening**: Beyond healthcare, screenings should be adopted by community members such as families, teachers, and religious leaders.
- Screening Tools: Adoption of tools like the Columbia Suicide Screener in various settings.



#### Fostering Collaboration for Crisis Intervention Efforts



- New Crisis Intervention Tools
  - 988: A new national suicide prevention hotline providing 24/7 support.
  - 911: Emergency services can be dispatched instantly for urgent care.
  - County Crisis Lines: Regional resources offering continuous support and intervention.
    - Lehigh County Crisis Intervention:
      - Available 24/7 at 610-782-3127
    - Northampton County Crisis Intervention:
      - Available 24/7 at 610-252-9060
    - Lehigh and Northampton Counties Warmline:
      - Available Monday to Friday from 6:00 AM to 2:00 AM, and Saturday and Sunday from 6:00 AM to 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM to 2:00 AM at 610-820-8451







#### Fostering Collaboration for Crisis Intervention Efforts

- Simplifying Crisis Response
  - Tools for Collaboration: A standardized, evidence-based suicide risk assessment and accessible support.
  - No Overwhelm: The process should be simple, allowing responders to take quick action without requiring extensive training.
  - **Key Focus**: Focus on early intervention through accessible, easy-to-use tools, and community-wide partnerships.





## **Crisis Intervention Services Update**

April 17, 2025

#### Why Modernize the Crisis System?



- To address the increased need for services and supports and lower the wait time to obtain clinical mental health care.
- To get individuals connected to the right type of help not the emergency room or criminal justice involvement.
- To align Pennsylvania's system with SAMHSA's best practice guidance.
- To develop crisis intervention services regulations because it is currently an unregulated service.

#### SAMHSA's Best Practice Guidelines



- Based on Three Essential Core Services Someone to Call, Someone to Respond, Somewhere to Go
- Someone to Contact Regional Crisis Call Center (988)
- Someone to Respond Crisis Mobile Team Response
- A Safe Place for Help Crisis Receiving and Stabilization Facilities

#### Where we are:



- Proposed Crisis Regulations
- Someone to Contact 988
- Someone to Respond Mobile Crisis
- A Safe Place for Help Crisis Receiving and Stabilization Facilities

# Northampton County Suicide Prevention Task Force



# The Northampton County Suicide Prevention Task Force

- The SPTF was formed in 2018 with the support of County Executive, Lamont McClure and is spearheaded by Sue Wandalowski and Robyn Barbosa.
- Mission: develop and implement strategies to reduce the risk of suicide and stigma of mental illness in Northampton County through the collaborative efforts of community agencies and service providers.
- There are approximately 70 members that make up the Task Force
  - Health networks, education sector, faith-based organizations, emergency responders, county staff, community partners and community members

### Goal



Through education and training in the community, the suicide rate in Northampton County will decrease by 20% by the end of 2025.

## Priorities & Programs



Community awareness

QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) Trainings in the Community

Recognition of suicide prevention activists

Resource guide for suicide survivors

Kindness Rocks, Luminary Bags

Formation of a L.O.S.S. Team: 71 families referred and supported



Warm Hand Off program with LVHN & SLHN: 102 referrals

Grants to expand Aevidum programs in schools

You Matter bracelets and resource cards for school youth

Increased school participation in the PAYS Survey (Pennsylvania Youth Survey)



My Ascension documentary screenings



Increase school based mental health services

Suicide Prevention Night at the Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs

LGBTQ+ & Veterans Initiatives

Implemented a social media campaign to disseminate information about suicide prevention for school-aged youth

Live Well Be Well Event

Quarterly task force meetings

## Where to Get Help

- ► Call 911
- Dial 988 The National Suicide & Crisis Prevention Lifeline
  - ► The Lifeline provides 24/7, free and confidential support for people in distress, prevention and crisis resources for you or others
  - ▶ Deaf + Hard of Hearing For TTY use your preferred relay service or dial 711 then 988
  - Veterans Crisis Line is also available through 988
- ▶ The Trevor Project (LGBTQIA Youth) 1-866-488-7386
- Know your local county crisis line
  - ► Northampton County 610-252-9060
  - ► Lehigh County 610-782-3127

## Suicide Prevention Coalition

**Lehigh County** 



#### Who Are We?

- The Suicide Prevention Coalition (SPC) of Lehigh County is a backbone organization supporting social service organizations, communities, and other groups concerned about the rising number of deaths by suicide in Lehigh County.
- The Steering Committee provides the driving force for strategic guidance to The Suicide Prevention Coalition of Lehigh County.
- The Steering Committee supports two Action Teams:
  - 1. Prevention and Intervention
  - 2. Awareness and Engagement
- They work to provide resources to the community on prevention, intervention, and support for loved ones who are survivors of suicide loss.

#### Who Are We?

- The Suicide Prevention Coalition (SPC) promotes the sharing of data, reports, best practices, and local stories to inform and enlighten discussions and strategies for suicide prevention and other deaths of despair.
- This approach aims to create a well-informed and collaborative environment to effectively address these critical issues.



## **Current Priorities/Programs**

- New Leadership
- The Lehigh County L.O.S.S. (local outreach to suicide survivors)
- Speaker's Bureau
- Community Training QPR/ASIST
- SAY IT (suicide affected youth in it together) Retreat → 5/2-4



## What's Working - Get Involved

- Relationship with County Coroner
- Increased support to suicide survivors
- Increase Community Presence
- Expanded partnership with Aevidum and AWARE
- More people trained in QPR
- LOSS Team Expansion
- Invitation to join Action Teams
- Funding Opportunities



## Lehigh County

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## Lehigh County

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#### **Pair & Share**

TURN TO A NEIGHBOR AND DISCUSS:

"WHAT ROLE CAN YOUR ORGANIZATION OR COMMUNITY PLAY IN SUPPORTING SUICIDE PREVENTION EFFORTS?"





# Networking & Refreshment Break

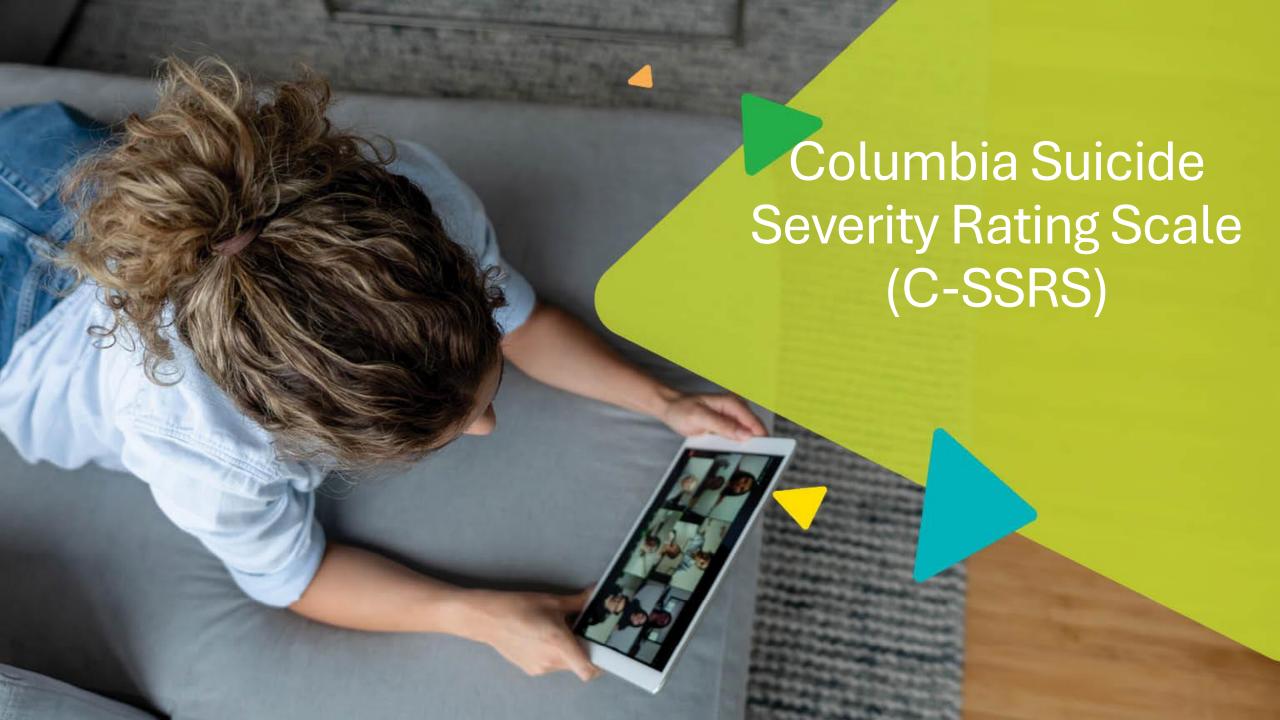














- Developed by Columbia University, the University of Pennsylvania, and the University of Pittsburgh.
- Part of a NIMH study in 2007 to decrease suicide in adolescents.
- FDA declared it the standard for clinical assessment in 2012.
- Rebranded as the Lighthouse Project.

(The Lighthouse Project - The Columbia Lighthouse Project)





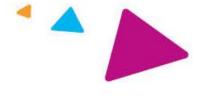


- Can be administered with no mental health training – ask the questions verbatim.
- Efficiently identifies the level of support needed so protocols can be developed in response.
- Evidence based.
- Can be used for all ages.
- It's a free resource that can be integrated into an EHR.

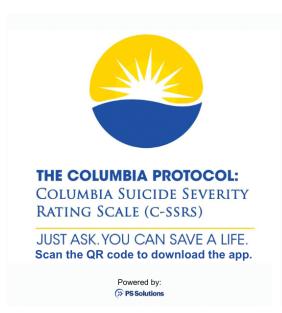
(Columbia-Suicide severity rating scale (C-SSRS))

Always ask questions 1 and 2.	Past Month	
Have you wished you were dead or wished you could go to sleep and not wake up?		
Have you actually had any thoughts about killing yourself?		
If YES to 2, ask questions 3, 4, 5 and 6. If NO to 2, skip to question 6.		
3) Have you been thinking about how you might do this?		
4) Have you had these thoughts and had some intention of acting on them?	High Risk	
5) Have you started to work out or worked out the details of how to kill yourself? Did you intend to carry out this plan?	High Risk	
Always Ask Question 6	Life- time	Past 3 Months
6) Have you done anything, started to do anything, or prepared to do anything to end your life?  Examples: Took pills, tried to shoot yourself, cut yourself, tried to hang yourself, or collected pills, obtained a gun, gave away valuables, wrote a will or suicide note, took out pills but didn't swallow any, held a gun but changed your mind or it was grabbed from your hand, went to the roof but didn't jump, etc.  If yes, was this within the past 3 months?		High Risk





- Easy to download.
- Walks you through the 6 questions.
- Assigns a risk level at the end.
- Identifies local resources if you enable your location or input a zip code.
- Is available in almost every language
- Do not need to input patient information, so there is no HIPPA concerns to use it.
- Familiarize yourself with it and read about it on the <u>Lighthouse Project</u> <u>Website</u>









- 3 versions:
  - Lifetime/Recent is the full version of the Columbia, which assesses over their lifetime AND within the past 3 months
  - Since Last Visit is essentially the same questions as the full version except it is modified to events since the last time they were seen.
  - Screener 6 question screening tool meant to be fast assessment of risk.
- Lighthouse Project also has examples of how to triage the information and best use of the tool.
- There is a scoring guide that provides even further guidance.
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**Hope Connections** 

MAGELLAN SUICIDE RISK PROGRAM

Magellan HEALTHCARE®



## **Hope Connections Overview**





 Report of a suicide attempt leading to an acute inpatient (AIP) hospitalization



#### Specialized Outreach

- Partnership with AIP providers
- Outreach & Engagement team



#### Evidence **Based Tools**

- Columbia Suicide **Severity Rating** Scale (C-SSRS)
- Safety Plan

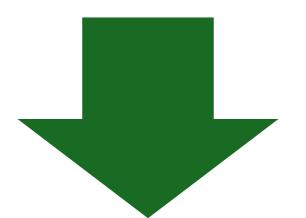


#### Engagement & Aftercare

• Follow up at 30and 60- days post discharge



## Program Goals

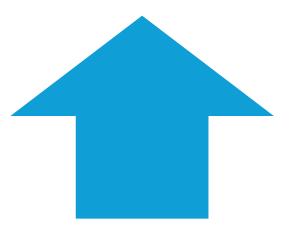


#### **Decreased**

- Readmissions
- Emergency visits
- Suicide rates

#### Increased

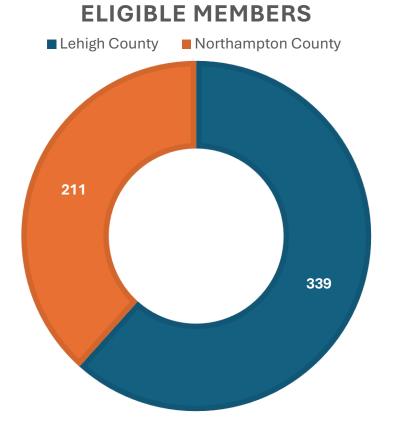
- Follow-up care
- Interpersonal connections





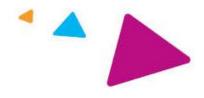
# Hope Connections Demographic Data: A 2 Year Look

 1,379 members eligible for program across 5 Magellan Counties

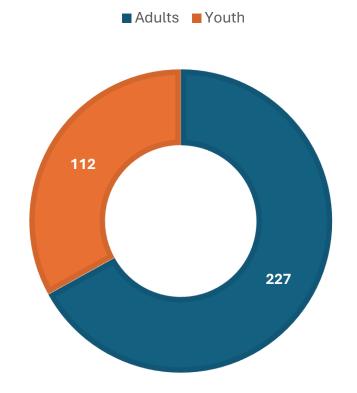




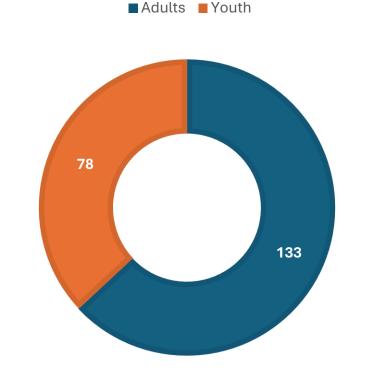
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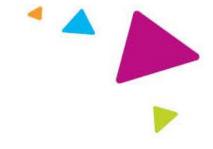
#### NORTHAMPTON COUNTY AGE BREAKDOWN

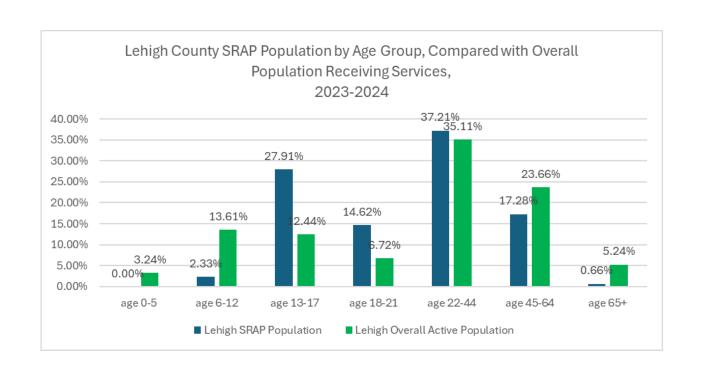




<sup>\*</sup>Youngest member reflected is 9 years old. Oldest member reflected is 65 years old.

# Hope Connections Age Demographics: Lehigh County





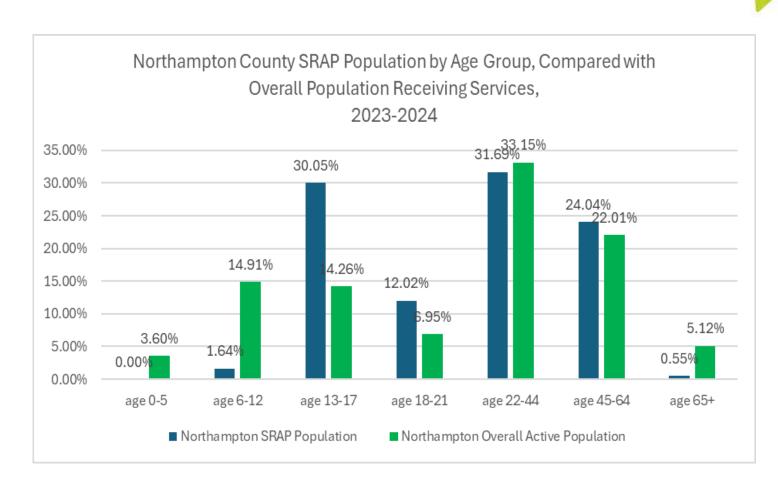
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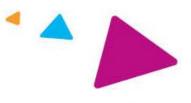
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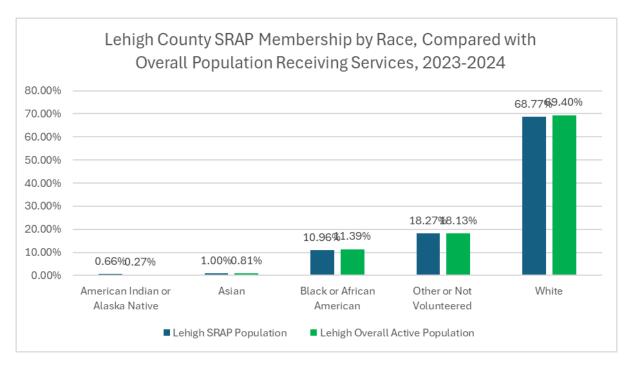
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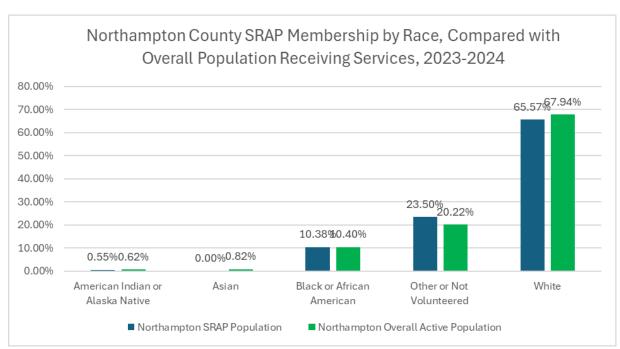






# Hope Connections: Race Demographics

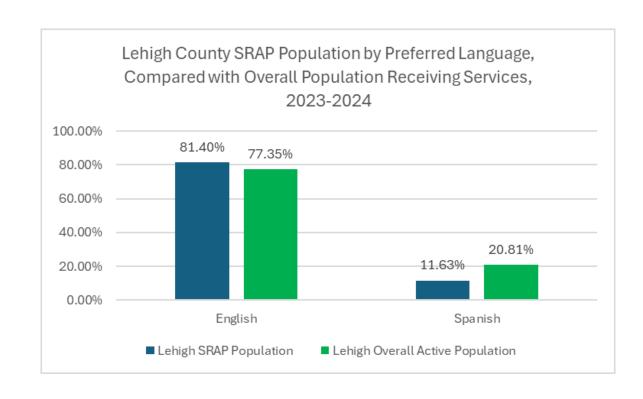


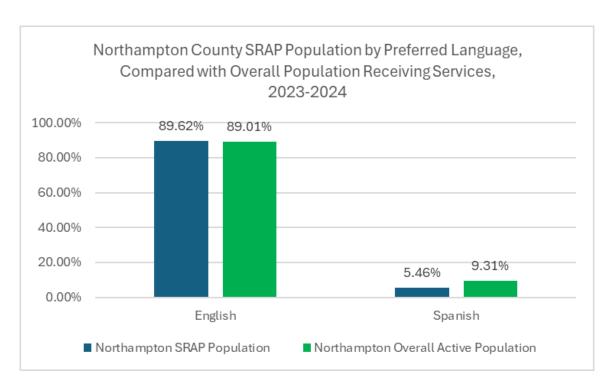








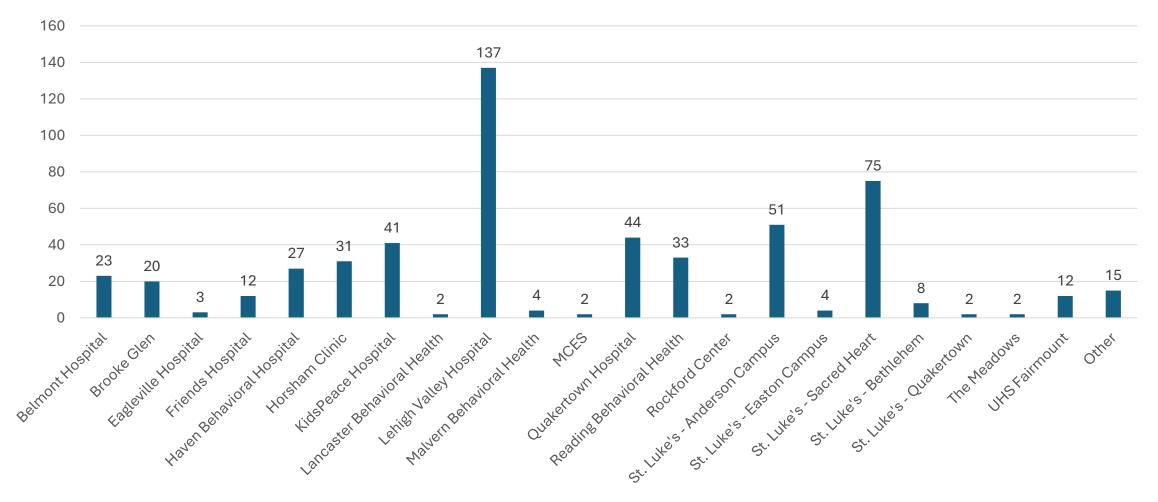




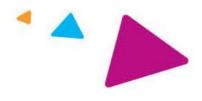


# Hope Connections: Admitting Hospitals





## Hope Connections: Process Outcomes



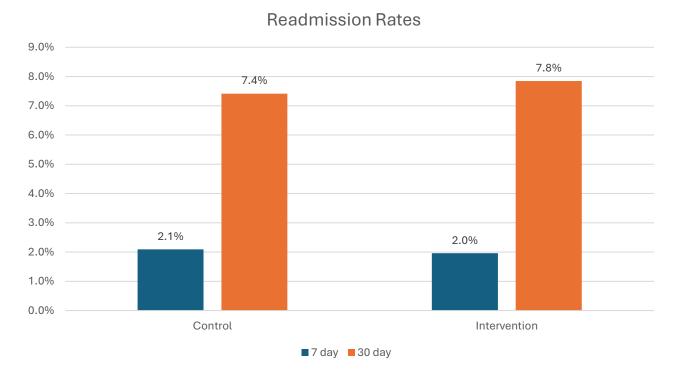
- 550 total Lehigh/Northampton members
- 189 members have completed the initial C-SSRS
- 67 members successfully completed the program (including initial C-SSRS and follow-ups at 30- and 60- days post discharge)
- 316 members closed due to unsuccessful contact for initial C-SSRS
- 2 members closed due to declining the program



# Hope Connections: Preliminary Outcomes



Comparison of intervention group vs. control group across all Magellan counties

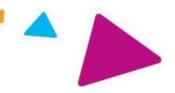


Of the 39 readmissions for the control group, 15 (38.5%) were for suicide attempts

Of the 8 readmissions for the intervention group, 2 (25%) were for suicide attempts



# Hope Connections: Preliminary Outcomes



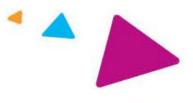
When comparing the Intervention group to Control group, post-hospital service utilization was impacted.







### Overall Impressions



#### Successes:

- Building Connections
  - Connections with County Crisis in Real-time
  - Connections with Outpatient Services
    - Therapy, Recovery Support,
       CTC
  - Interpersonal Connections
    - Reducing Stigma

#### Challenges

- First Impressions / Building Trust
  - Connecting with members while in AIP
  - Reaching Members in the Community



## **Questions?**



#### **PAIR & SHARE**

Turn to a neighbor and discuss: "How can we improve follow-up care and post-discharge supports for individuals at risk?"





# Networking Break & Community Collaboration Opportunities









Panel Discussion: Strengthening Crisis Response & Community Partnerships







#### **Moderators:**

- Steven Ross | Crisis System Specialist, Bureau of Policy and Program Development
- Kara Kessel | Clinical Consultant, Children's Bureau

#### **Panelists:**

- Michelle Kotts | Bethlehem Chief of Police
- Jim Presto | Co-Chair of the Eastern PA Chapter of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, Board President of Aevidum and Member of the LOSS Team
- Maggie Murphy | Executive Director of NAMI, Lehigh Valley
- Lisa Cozzi | Director of Crisis Intervention, Lehigh County
- Chelsea Jones | Director of Information Referral and Emergency Services, Northampton County



#### PAIR & SHARE

Turn to a neighbor and discuss: "What gaps exist in your local crisis response system, and how can we fill them?"





# Networking Break & Informal Discussions













# The Collaborative Assessment and Management of Suicidality (CAMS)

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Magellan Behavioral Health of PA April 17, 2025 www.cams-care.com

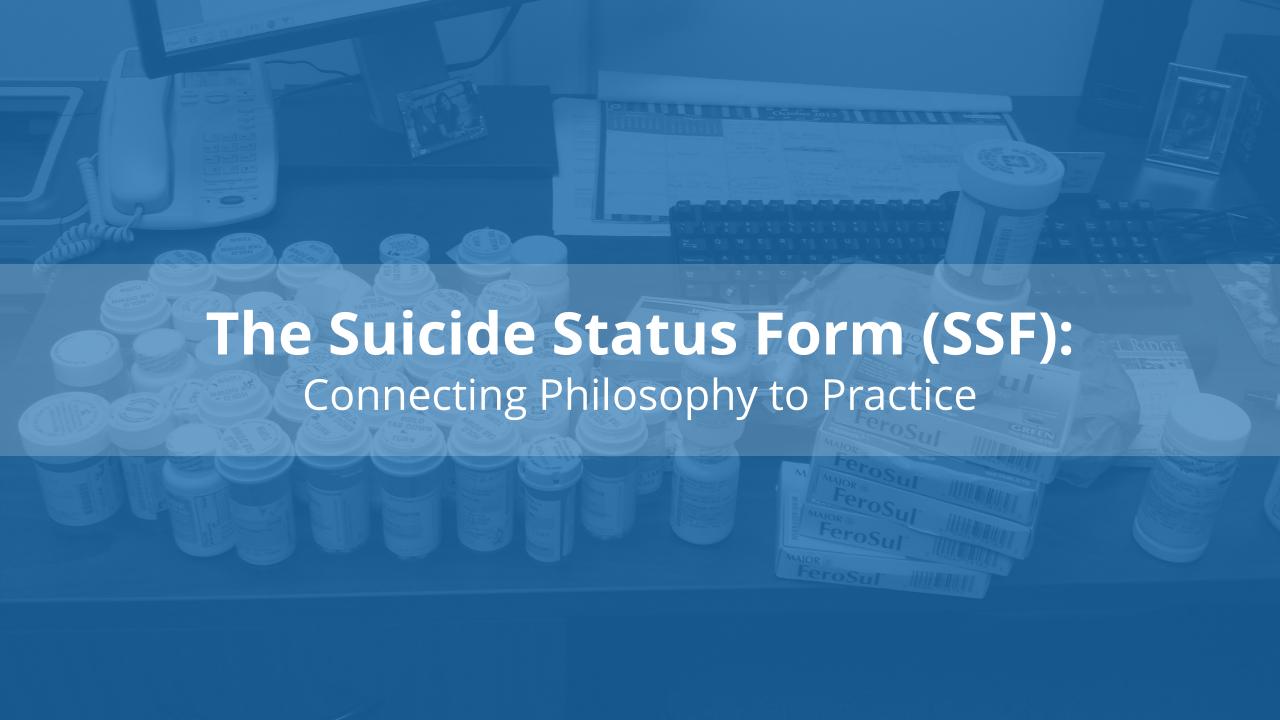




#### **CAMS** for Assessment and Intervention



The Collaborative Assessment and Management of Suicidality (CAMS): Identifies and targets Suicide as the primary focus of assessment and intervention...



#### **CAMS SSF First Session**

## Section A: Completed by Patient

- Risk Assessment
- Self or Others
- Reasons for Living/Dying
- Wish to Live/Die
- One Thing

SSF Core Assessment

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**Section B:**Completed by Clinician and Patient

Section C:
Completed by Clinician and Patient

Stabilization Plan

Treatment Plan

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#### Stabilization Plan:

Completed by Clinician and Patient

- Lethal means safety discussion
- Coping strategies
- Decrease isolation
- Barriers to attending treatment

#### CAMS SUICIDE STATUS FORM (SSF-5) FIRST SESSION (page 3 of 4) CAMS STABILIZATION PLAN

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Life or death emergency contac	ct number:
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Potential barrier:	Solutions I will try:

After completing Stabilization Plan: Return to Section C

- Finish Treatment Plan
- Complete Informed Consent
- Patient and Clinician Sign SSF

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Υ	N	Impulsivity	Describe:	

Problem #	Problem Description	Goals and Objectives	Interventions	Duration
1	Self-Harm Potential	Safety and Stability	CAMS Stabilization Plan Completed	
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Treatment Plan

Patient Signature Date

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_ Patient at imminent danger of suicide (hospitalization indicated)?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ Patient at imminent danger of suicide (hospitalization indicated)?

Patient Signature Date Clinician Signature Date

Clinician Signature

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#### Section D:

Completed by Clinician after session is completed with patient

#### Formulate a clinical judgement related to concerns about the Patient's Relative Stability:

- Review Ratings for Wish to Live (WTL)/Wish to Die (WTD)
- Review Reasons for Living (RFL)/Reasons for Dying (RFD)
- Consider SSF Core Assessment ratings
- Quality of CAMS Stabilization Plan (particularly related to lethal means safety)
- Multiple attempt history (2+ more increased risk)
- Coping skills and social supports discussed during stabilization planning

Section D (Clinician Postsession Evaluation):   MENTAL STATUS EXAM (circle appropriate items):   ALERT DROWSY LETHARGIC STUPOROUS OTHER: ORIGINAL STATUS EXAM (circle appropriate items):   ORIENTED TO: PERSON PLACE TIME REASON FOR EVALUATION   MODO: EUTHYMIC ELEVATED DYSPHORIC ACITATED ANGRY		CAMS SU	ICIDE STATUS FORM (SSF-5) FIRST SESSION (page 4 of 4)
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#### **CAMS SSF**

Tracking/Update Interim Session(s)

#### Section A:

Completed by Patient within first few minutes of each session

- Complete Ratings
- Review Stabilization Plan
- Target & Treat Drivers
- Review Treatment Plan

#### Section B:

Completed by the clinician and patient at the end of each session

- Noting the completion of the stabilization plan
- Identifying two problem drivers that cause suicidality
- Note goals and objectives
- Note interventions and duration
- Both parties sign the form

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#### **CAMS SSF**

Tracking/Interim Update Interim Session(s)

#### Section C: Completed by Clinician

- Mental Status Exam
- Diagnostic Impressions
- Patient Stability
- Case Notes
- Clinician Signature

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#### **CAMS SSF-4**

Outcome/Disposition Final Session

#### **Criteria for Resolution of CAMS**

#### **Section A**

#### Patient has had 3 sessions in a row with:

- Risk rating of suicide < 3
- No Suicidal Behaviors
- Effectively Managed Suicidal Thoughts/Feelings

#### Focus:

- Lessons Learned
- Coping Strategies

#### **Section B**

- Criterion are met
- Note outcome disposition
- Both parties sign the form

Patient: Clin	ician:		Dat	e:			Time:	Sess#
Section A (Patient):								Start of session
Rate and fill out each item according to I	how you feel <u>right now</u> .							
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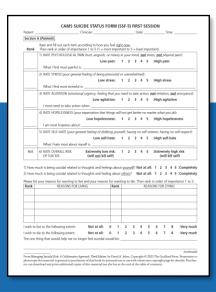
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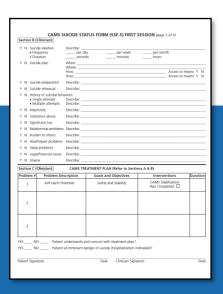
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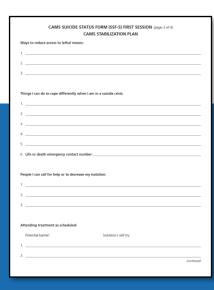
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Completed by Clinician after session is completed

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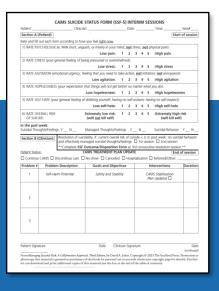


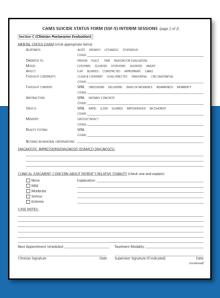


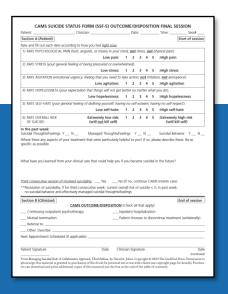




First session of CAMS—SSF Assessment, Stabilization Planning, Driver-Specific Treatment Planning, and HIPAA Documentation













Across 10 published non-randomized clinical trials of CAMS, 2 meta-analyses, and 7 published randomized controlled trials (with 5 on-going RCT's)



Reduces suicidal ideation

Changes suicidal cognitions

Increases hope/decreases hopelessness

Positive patient experience

Reduces ED visits

Positive impact on self-harm/attempts

Relatively easy to learn

"Well supported" for the reduction of suicidal thinking per CDC research criteria.

### A Stepped Care Model for Suicide Care



**Safety Planning** Suicide-specific Care at Each Step CRP + RFL Means Restriction can From Least to Most Restrictive Intervention be used through out \$\$\$\$ MI **CAMS** Inpatient Psychiatric **PACT** Hospitalization Mental **TMBI** Health Partial Hospitalization Care Costs **Emergency Respite Care** DBT, CT-SP, **Outpatient Care BCBT** Safety Planning, Means Brief Intervention + Follow-up **Restriction Counseling** Crisis Center Hotline Support + Follow-up Adapted from Jobes, D. (2014)

# Adapting CAMS for Crisis Settings (1-3 Sessions)





**One Session Intervention** 

Use

First Session SSF

Develop

**CAMS Stabilization Plan** 

**Identify** 

Drivers

Set up

"Next Day Appointment"

**Provide** 

**Crisis Contact** 

#### **CAMS Brief Intervention (CAMS-BI)**



#### One Session Intervention

**Use** First Session SSF

**Assess** Risk

**Develop** CAMS Stabilization Plan

**Identify** Drivers

Provide Resources

#### **CAMS For Inpatient Settings**



#### **During hospital stay**

3 SSF (First, Interim, Disposition)

#### **Goals**

Assess Risk
Identify Drivers
Practice Coping
Link

#### **Initial Support for CAMS-BI**



- 143 adult patients being treated for suicidal thoughts and behaviors across multiple inpatient units and medical floors
  - 61% White, 34% Black/African American
  - 48% Cisgender female, 49% cisgender male
- Changes in overall distress (SUDS) from pre to post CAMS-BI
  - 58% of patients reported a reduction
  - 33% reported no change (9% reported an increase)
- Changes in readiness to continue living from pre to post CAMS-BI
  - 33% of patients reported an increase in readiness to live
  - 64% reported no change (3% reported a decrease)

\*\*\* A one point change in readiness to live is associated with a 31% reduction in suicidal thoughts months later (Britton et al., 2020)

# **Upcoming Trainings**





#### **Become CAMS Trained in less** than 16 hours:

- 1. CAMS Foundational Video
- 2. CAMS 3rd edition book
- 3. Role-Play Training Day
- 4. CAMS Consultation Calls
- 5. Knowledge Test
- 6. Professional Information



#### **Free** for CAMS Trained clinicians:



#### **CAMS-care Clinician Locator**

#### **Benefits**

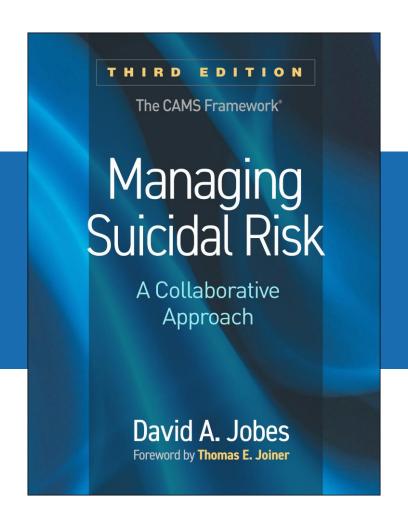
<u>Invitation Only</u> Office Hours with Dr. Jobes

Route new clients seeking evidence-based, suicide-specific treatments to your practice.

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# Thank You!





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#### **PAIR & SHARE**

Turn to a neighbor and discuss: "What barriers might exist to implementing CAMS Care in our region, and how can we address them?"







# CAMS Care Provider Announcement





## Request for Information (RFI) Checklist



- 1. Letter of Interest Submission
  - ☐Submit Letter of Interest by June 30, 2025
  - ☐ Include **Agency Information**
  - ☐ Include Implementation Plan for integrating CAMS Care
- 2. Staff Requirements
  - ☐ Confirm staff commitment to completing CAMS certification
  - ☐Plan to integrate CAMS Care into practice workflows
- 3. Eligibility Criteria
  - ☐ Agency is **contracted with Magellan**
  - ☐ Agency is **contracted with Northampton County Health Choices**
  - ☐ Open to all levels of care (confirm applicability)





#### CAMS Care Education Day will be held June 2, 2025!

We welcome ongoing engagement from providers to expand CAMS Care services and improve community mental health outcomes.

For more details, visit: www.cams-care.com

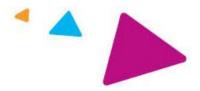
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# What resources or support do providers need to successfully implement CAMS Care?



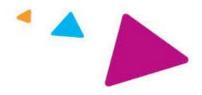
#### Suicide Prevention & Community Response



#### **Top Five Takeaways:**

- Suicide Prevention Requires Collective Community Action
  - Collaboration across sectors is essential for real change.
- Youth and Young Adults Are Disproportionately at Risk
  - Tailored strategies are critical to reach this vulnerable population.
- Crisis Response Is Evolving
  - Innovations like 988, CRCs (Crisis Receiving Centers), and C-SSRS (Columbia-Suicide Severity Rating Scale) are game changers.
- Data-Informed Decision Making Enhances Interventions
  - Using real-time data drives smarter resource allocation and outcomes.
- ✓ CAMS Care Is an Effective, Evidence-Based Model
  - Supports clinicians in delivering targeted suicide-specific care.





### Let's Commit to Action - Together

- Attend CAMS Education Day
  - 31 June 2, 2025 Save the Date!
- Join Your County's Suicide Prevention Task Force

Be part of shaping local response and outreach.

Share Resources

Promote 988 and the C-SSRS in your networks and organizations.

- **Apply for CAMS Care Training Slots** 
  - Bring evidence-based suicide prevention into your daily practice.
- Talk About Suicide. Offer Hope.

Help reduce stigma—every conversation matters.





# THANK YOU!



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