

## Suicide Prevention Coordinating Council (SPCC)

Meeting Minutes  
December 12, 2019

### Opening

The quarterly meeting of the Suicide Prevention Coordinating Council (SPCC) was called to order at 1:05 p.m. on December 12, 2019 by Roney Moore.

### Present

Rodney Moore, Chair	Rhonda Jackson
Dr. Sofia Castro, Chair	Al Carter, Member
Jackie Rosen, Member	Secretary Chad Poppell, Member
Tara Sullivan Larsen, Member	Derrick Elias, Member
Gretta Jones, Member	Paul Kellam, Permanent guest
Melissa Jordan	Sophia Whaley, Permanent guest
Dr. David Wheeler, Member	Elida Segrera, Permanent guest
Dr. Timothy Buehner, Member	Larry Allen, Permanent guest
Lina Castellanos, Permanent guest	Margo Adams
Lourdes Mata on behalf of Karen Annunziato, Permanent guest	Kimora McConnell
Larry Dixon, Member	Secretary Mary Mayhew, Member
Jacob Romer	Allie Pass on behalf of Matt Dunagan, Member
Holly Buss on behalf of Dr. Dean Aufderheide, Member	Keshia Reid
Secretary Richard Prudom, Member	Shamarial Roberson
Dr. Martha Mason on behalf of Executive Director Barber Palmer	Ginnifer Barber
Shay Chapman, on behalf of Surgeon General Dr. Scott Rivkees, Member	Kimberly Gryglewicz
James Hartsell on behalf of Executive Director Danny Burgess, Member	Heather Allman
Dr. Tracy Shelby on behalf of Simone Marstiller, Member	

### Absent

Dr. Gene Cash, Member	Sally Cunningham, Member
Karen Brill, Member	Dr. Carly Parlo, Member
Dr. Dan Reidenberg, Member	Cindy Foster, Member
Seth Montgomery, Member	Donna Schulz, Member
Nakeisha Phillips, Permanent guest	Melissa Worthen, Permanent guest
Suzette Fleishmann, Permanent guest	Bryan Mingle, Permanent guest
Angela Gambino, Permanent guest	Jane Bennett, Member

### Approval of Minutes

Dr. David Wheeler motioned to approve the minutes of the June SPCC meeting. Allie Pass seconded the motion. The minutes of the June SPCC meeting was approved.

## **Updates**

### FY 2021-2023 Florida Suicide Prevention Interagency Action Plan Committee

The Florida Suicide Prevention Interagency Action Plan Committee worked on the first 3 steps of the Suicide Prevention Resource Center's Strategic Planning Approach, which included the analyzation of deaths by suicide in Florida, brainstorming goals, strategies, and action steps, and identifying the risk and protective factors. The remaining 3 steps will be completed in the year 2020, which include step 4: the selection and development of interventions, step 5: planning evaluation, and step 6: implementing the plan.

#### Actions:

- The Suicide Prevention Coordinating Council state agency members will blend available funding and resources to tie suicide prevention efforts as one big effort.
  - The Department of Health will communicate with other agencies to ensure there is no duplication.
  - The Department of Health will share their SHIP documents.
- The Florida Suicide Prevention Interagency Action Plan Committee will regroup to review the action steps that were identified by state agencies during step 2 to ensure that they are measurable actions (include a baseline and a target). To complete this, the Committee will contact state organization representatives and cc the Secretaries with a more specific ask for measurable action items.
- State agencies will provide population data to add more information about populations identified as high risk for suicide within the Action Plan.

### Annual Report

The latest version of the Annual Report includes additional national data on deaths by suicide, Florida data as it pertains to suicide deaths by firearm, and the 4 recommendations of the SPCC. The Annual Report is currently under management review at the Department of Children and Families.

### Florida Violent Death Reporting System (FLVDRS)

The FLVDRS is housed in the Department of Health's (DOH) Public Health Research Section. FLVDRS is a collaborative effort with the Violence and Injury Prevention Program, Bureau of Vital Statistics, and Bureau of Emergency Medical Oversight. The DOH has partnered with the University of South Florida under a contractual agreement to receive technical assistance, subject matter expertise, and data abstraction support. Data collection for year one of FLVDRS began January 2019 and is focused on deaths that occurred in Florida's largest counties: Miami-Dade, Duval, Broward, Palm Beach, Hillsborough, Pinellas, and Orange; However, deaths in six additional counties (Osceola, Pasco, Nassau, Hamilton, Clay, and Columbia) are included in year one collection efforts due to their inclusion in the same medical examiner districts as the seven larger counties. To date, death certificate data from vital statistics for cases from January through September 2019 have been imported into the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention National Violent Death Reporting System, which is the main database. Also, 390 records have been partially abstracted from medical examiner or law enforcement reports. Year two data collection is planned to begin in January 2020 and expand to all 67 counties.

### Response to 10 Stakeholder Recommendations/Support Document

The response document was edited after the June SPCC meeting. Part of the response document is item 7, which is to create a brochure. The goal was to have a brochure completed by January or February 2020; However, the consensus of the SPCC is to create alternative materials that can be widely distributed and targeted to certain populations instead of a brochure. The Department of Health's marketing division can assist with creating a social marketing kit and other types of media.

### **New Focus**

#### Suicide Prevention Day at the Capitol

Suicide Prevention Day at the Capitol is scheduled for Thursday February 27, 2020 starting at 8 a.m. and ending at 4 p.m. Volunteers for the event are looking at Senate Bill 104, which aligns with suicide prevention. The event will include a press conference in the morning.

Action: The Department of Children and Families will work on getting the Proclamation signed by the Governor to declare February 27, 2020 as Florida Suicide Prevention Day. The Department of Children and Families and the American Foundation of Suicide Prevention will discuss ways to promote Suicide Prevention Day at the Capitol.

#### Suicide Prevention Focus Population Workgroup (Health Improvement Plan)

The State Health Improvement Plan (SHIP) comprises nine priority areas including a priority for behavioral health. The Behavioral Health Priority Area Workgroup focuses on behavioral health through collaborative strategies of multi-disciplinary subject matter experts and key stakeholders that work together to impact the health and safety of all Floridians and visitors. The Behavioral Health Priority Area Workgroup currently has four focus areas:

1. Increasing treatment of mental health disorders of parents touched by the child welfare system
2. Addressing neonatal abstinence syndrome
3. Increasing use of naloxone
4. Reducing suicide

Careful consideration has ensured SHIP health-related outcomes and the work of SPCC align. For example, one of the objectives pertaining to suicide is to conduct a profile with recommendations for outreach and messaging to populations identified as high risk for suicide.

Action: The Florida Suicide Prevention Interagency Action Plan Committee will work on this objective and will continue inventorying Florida data and surveillance resources.

#### Postvention Services

Postvention is a new topic for discussion to SPCC members. The focus is to provide resources via website on postvention for suicide attempt survivors and loss survivors (an individual who has lost someone to suicide).

Action: SPCC members will share postvention resources to be added to the Department of Children and Families' suicide prevention website.

### Member Announcements

The following announcements were made:

- The Department of Children and Families added a link on their suicide prevention website that takes guests to the Florida Suicide Prevention Coalition tab to assist individuals looking for resources per county.
- SPCC 2020 quarterly meeting dates will be emailed to everyone in January 2020.
- Florida has been invited to the Governor's Challenge, which is a call to action, asking state military and civilian interagency teams to embark on a process of collaborating, planning, and implementing suicide prevention best practices and policies for Service Members, Veterans, and their Families state-wide.
- The Florida Suicide Prevention Coalition's (FSPC) 5th Annual Florida Taking Action for Suicide Prevention Conference will begin on February 25 and end on February 26, 2020. Online Registration is open on the FSPC website (under Events).
- The Department of Health is interviewing for a mental health coordinator and a suicide prevention specialist.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:24 p.m. by Rodney Moore.

Minutes submitted by: Dr. Sofia Castro