

Wednesday, August 31st and Thursday, September 1st from 9 am—4 pm both days. (Must attend both days) Doors open at 8:30 am

Assessment, Management, and Treatment of Individuals at Risk for Suicide

With suicide among the top ten causes of death in the United States, the ability to effectively treat clients at risk for suicide is a critical skill for mental health professionals. Facing such situations can be a source of extraordinary stress.

This workshop is targeted to help mental health professionals assess and manage suicide risk and provide treatment to individuals at risk for suicide. Upon completion of this workshop, participants will be able to develop and implement treatment plans for patients at risk for suicide and effectively respond to ongoing suicidal behavior during treatment. Special attention will also be given to postvention procedures in the event of a patient suicide.

Methods of instruction include lecture, clinical case illustrations, demonstration of strategies, discussion, and participant practice.

Trainers

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Learning Objectives:

As a result of this training, participants will be able to:

- 1. Identify the long-term and acute risk factors for suicide.
- Talk with individuals in a manner that facilitates assessment of suicide risk.
- 3. Provide assistance to persons at risk for suicide.
- 4. Describe the role of different professionals regarding suicide risk management.
- 5. Describe the general guidelines for risk management.
- 6. Implement specific protocols for intervention in suicide crisis situations.
- 7. Develop treatment plans for persons at risk for suicide.

Location of training:

Four Points by Sheraton Kalamazoo, 3600 East Cork St, Kalamazoo, MI 49001

TARGET AUDIENCE

ADOLESCENT & YOUNG ADULT
THERAPISTS, OTHER CLINICAL STAFF
WORKING WITH SUICIDAL
INDIVIDUALS OR ANY OTHERS WHO
WORK DIRECTLY WITH CUSTOMERS
IN THE SWMBH REGION ARE
WELCOME

NO COST FOR SWMBH PROVIDERS & CMH STAFF.

LIMITED TO 125 PARTICIPANTS

12 SWCEU
12 SPECIFIC MCBAP
CREDITS OFFERED
LUNCH AND REFRESHMENTS WILL
BE PROVIDED

