

## Improving Follow Up of Suicidal Patients Discharged from the Emergency Department: Challenges, Opportunities, and Best Practices

Thursday, November 29<sup>th</sup> - 11AM-5:30PM  
Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup> - 8:30AM-3PM  
SAMHSA, Great Falls Room,  
1 Choke Cherry Road  
Rockville, MD 20857

*National Strategy for Suicide Prevention Objective 7.1*  
*"... increase the proportion of patients treated for self-destructive behavior in hospital emergency departments that pursue the proposed mental health follow-up plan*

## Agenda

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Thursday Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>

11AM-11:30AM-

### **Welcome, introductions, and overview-**

Richard McKeon SAMHSA

11:30AM-12 Noon

### **Federal Involvement In Improving Follow Up**

NIMH- Jane Pearson , Amy Goldstein,  
Veterans Administration-Glenn Currier  
Indian Health Service-Betty Hastings (invited)  
SAMHSA-Suicide Prevention Resource Center-David Litts  
National Suicide Prevention Lifeline-John Draper

12 Noon-12:30PM-

### **South Carolina National Violent Death Reporting System- Recent Service Contact Before Suicide: Statewide Data**

Charles Bradberry

### **1PM-2:30PM-Approaches to Emergency Department Follow Up-Panel 1**

1PM- Anthony Spirito, Brown University  
1:15PM-Joan Asarnow, UCLA  
1:30PM-Cheryl King, University of Michigan  
1:45PM-Barbara Stanley, Columbia University

### **2:45-4:15PM - Approaches to Emergency Department Follow Up-Panel 2**

2:45PM-Kate Comtois, University of Washington  
3:00PM-Glenn Currier, University of Rochester  
3:15PM-John Walkup/Alison Barlow-Johns Hopkins University/White Mountain Apache  
Tribe  
3:30PM-David Covington-Behavioral Health Link, Atlanta, GA

**4:15PM-4:30PM-Trends in Emergency Department Care**

Greg Larkin, Yale University

**4:30PM-4:45PM-Occult Suicidality in the Emergency Departments**

Cindy Claassen-University of Texas-Southwestern Medical Center

**4:45-5:00PM-Consumer and Family Experiences in the Emergency Department**

Julie Cerel-University of Kentucky

**5:00PM-5:30PM-Summary of First Day-What Do We Know? What Do We Need to Know?**

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8:45AM-9AM-Greg Brown-University of Pennsylvania

9AM-9:15AM- David Knespers

**9:15AM-9:45AM- Potential Partners in Improving Emergency Department Follow Up-**

Bob Glover, National Association of State Mental health Program Directors,  
Tom Eachus, Linda Rosenberg, National Council on Community Behavioral Healthcare,  
Cidney Perhats, Emergency Nurses Association,  
Greg Larkin, American College of Emergency Physicians,  
Glenn Currier, American Association of Emergency Psychiatry,  
John Draper, National Suicide Prevention Lifeline,  
David Litts, Suicide Prevention Resource Center

**9:45AM-2:30PM- Practice Recommendations-Facilitator-David Litts,SPRC**

**2:30PM-3PM-Next Steps**