

Franklin County has already experienced a significant increase in deaths by suicide in 2020 compared to this time last year, including teens and adults. Everyone involved in healthcare can play a role in addressing this problem by adopting evidence-based practices around suicide screening, assessment, safety planning, management and treatment. We are urging all agencies to take advantage of free evidence-based trainings that would improve our community's ability to prevent and manage suicide. The following is a list of trainings for providers and emergency personnel:

For Providers:

- *Assessing and Managing Suicide Risk* trains on how to recognize and assess suicide risk, plan for client safety, and manage the ongoing care of at-risk youth and young adults.
 - June 19, 2020
 - Registration: <http://www.cvent.com/d/vhqhhs>
- *Assessing and Managing Suicide Risk* for physicians and medical personnel will be offered during the Fall or Winter: stay updated at www.franklincountyspc.org
- *Collaborative Assessment and Management of Suicidality* trains on assessing patients' (youth and young adults) suicidality and specifically treating their suicide risk.
 - June 18, 2020
 - Registration: <http://www.cvent.com/d/ghqh1z>
- *Question, Persuade & Refer* is a 90-minute gatekeeper training on identifying and responding to signs of suicide.
 - Registration: www.losscs.org/trainings
- *Conversations on Access to Lethal Means* trains on how to inquire about accessibility to lethal means and suggest safe storage.
 - Register for in-person training: www.losscs.org/trainings
 - Complete online training: training.sprc.org

For Emergency Department Personnel:

- *Preventing Suicide in Emergency Department Patients* is a free, 2-hour course on conducting screening, assessment, and brief interventions.
 - Complete online training: training.sprc.org

Visit the Franklin County Suicide Prevention Coalition (FCSPC) website and join the FCSPC email distribution list to stay updated on upcoming trainings and learn more about the FCSPC: www.franklincountyspc.org. By leveraging available trainings, healthcare providers can maximize their role in preventing suicide in our county.

