


ONLINE

National Zero Suicide Academy[®] for Outpatient Behavioral Health



Aug. 4: 2-hour pre-Academy
Aug. 12-13: 2-day Academy
Sep. 17: 2-hour post-Academy



Current & prospective Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs) welcome

> ZERO SUICIDE ACADEMY

The Zero Suicide Academy is EDC's signature three-part training for organizations that seek to dramatically reduce suicides among patients in their care.

Our 2025 National Zero Suicide Academy for Outpatient Behavioral Healthcare is tailored to current and prospective community behavioral health clinics (CCBHCs), community mental health centers (CMHCs), and federally qualified health centers (FQHCs).

EDC's Zero Suicide staff and faculty will guide teams of 3-6 participants per organization through interactive sessions and small-group collaborations. We'll help teams analyze their organization's suicide care strategy, learn from healthcare systems that have already introduced Zero Suicide, and develop an actionable implementation plan.

Teams will leave with the skills and information necessary to launch and sustain their organization's Zero Suicide initiative.

> **SCAN TO LEARN
MORE & REGISTER**



Registration closes July 7th



➤ OUTPATIENT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH & SAFER SUICIDE CARE

Healthcare systems that adopt Zero Suicide are aligning their work to meet the suicide-specific care standards required to obtain or maintain CCBHC certification and other standards of care.

EDC's Zero Suicide Academy helps healthcare systems launch and structure their suicide care efforts, while Zero Suicide Consultation services are available to support systems at any stage of their suicide care journey—from initial planning to advanced implementation.

By embedding the seven elements of Zero Suicide into their organizational systems and culture, outpatient behavioral healthcare systems can enhance safety for individuals at risk of suicide and demonstrate a strong commitment to delivering safe, comprehensive, and effective care.

Engaging in EDC's Zero Suicide training as a CCBHC has played an integral role in building out our crisis response pre- and postvention.

Joleen Sundquist
Chief Clinical Officer
Community Counseling Center

➤ ZERO SUICIDE

Zero Suicide at EDC provides expert training and consultation to guide healthcare systems through every stage of Zero Suicide implementation. In 2014, we created the Zero Suicide Toolkit to offer free resources to implementers.

CCBHCs, CMHCs, FQHCs, federal, state, and other organizations contract with us for the experience and tools needed to accelerate system-wide Zero Suicide adoption.

Reach out to EDC's Zero Suicide team any time at ZeroSuicide@edc.org.



➤ WHAT IS ZERO SUICIDE?

Suicide deaths for individuals at risk of suicide in health and behavioral healthcare systems are preventable. For systems dedicated to improving patient safety, the Zero Suicide framework presents an aspirational challenge and a way forward.

Since 2012, hundreds of healthcare systems across the U.S. and around the world have implemented Zero Suicide.

Learn more at the Zero Suicide Toolkit:
ZeroSuicide.edc.org.

➤ ELEMENTS OF ZERO SUICIDE

- 1 Lead system-wide culture change committed to reducing suicides
- 2 Train a competent, confident, and caring workforce
- 3 Identify individuals with suicide risk via comprehensive screening and assessment
- 4 Engage all individuals at-risk of suicide using a suicide care management plan
- 5 Treat suicidal thoughts and behaviors using evidence-based treatments
- 6 Transition individuals through care with warm hand-offs and supportive contacts
- 7 Improve policies and procedures through continuous quality improvement