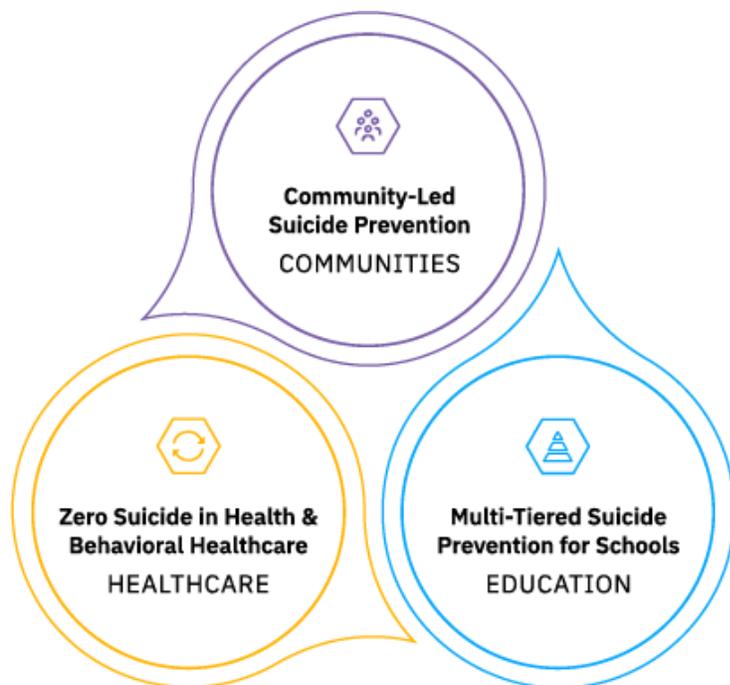


EDC's Approach to Suicide Prevention

Leveraging decades of leadership in suicide prevention, EDC advances comprehensive frameworks that strengthen alignment across healthcare, education, and community systems to save lives.



Suicide Prevention at EDC

Education Development Center (EDC) is home to the federally funded Suicide Prevention Resource Center (SPRC) and the National Action Alliance for Suicide Prevention and is the training center for Assessing and Managing Suicide Risk (AMSR). Since 1958, EDC has been a trusted partner for federal, state, and local education, healthcare, and community organizations around the globe.

EDC's Suicide Prevention Frameworks

Community-Led Suicide Prevention (CLSP) is an evidence-informed framework to help communities strengthen their implementation of effective suicide prevention. CLSP supports the development of community-based suicide prevention coalitions. >> [Learn more](#)

Zero Suicide is a continuous quality improvement approach to safer suicide care in health and behavioral healthcare systems. With a focus on patient safety, the Zero Suicide framework transforms systems using evidence-based practices. >> [Learn more](#)

Multi-Tiered Suicide Prevention for Schools (MTSP) guides K–12 schools in implementing systemwide suicide prevention alongside new or existing multi-tiered systems of supports (MTSS). MTSP helps school teams create safe, inclusive environments by aligning upstream prevention policies and practices across all tiers of support. >> [Learn more](#)

Alignment for Broader Impact

When implemented together, EDC’s suicide prevention frameworks create a cross-sector continuum of care that breaks down silos and strengthens prevention at every level.

Grounded in evidence-based practices and a shared approach to language and data, our services promote collaboration across settings and make coordinated, community-wide partnerships possible.

Agencies and organizations can begin wherever they are most ready, investing in one or more frameworks and expanding over time. **Through this integrated approach, EDC experts partner with communities to advance safer suicide care—driving lasting, measurable impact and saving lives.**

“It was important for South Carolina to support both Zero Suicide and Multi-Tiered Suicide Prevention for School, because it helps multiple systems across the state speak the same language. When it comes to suicide prevention, everyone plays a role.”

— Jessica Kobernik, Program Manager, South Carolina Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities

“We invested in both EDC’s Multi-Tiered Suicide Prevention for Schools and Community-Led Suicide Prevention because we’ve found that school–community partnerships result in the most successful, sustainable outcomes. Having frameworks that integrate best practices and roadmaps to address the unique needs of these settings are key.”

— Andrea Duarte, Program Manager, Connecticut State Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services



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