

Professional Training:

Building A Competent Community and School Plan for Youth Suicide Prevention

February 28th, 2012

9:00 am to Noon

Prom Center in Oakdale, MN

Registration online preferred, \$20.00 at the door (cash/check), Three CEUs will be provided to all who attend with continental breakfast. Visit [PrairieCare](#) for more information.

Presenter: Maureen Underwood, LCSW, CGP, Society for the Prevention of Teen Suicide

This professional workshop will discuss the effective suicide prevention programming that is required to develop the infrastructure of a competent community. The workshop will also review how all community components are involved with helping at risk youth.

This training will also include **LIFELINES** — a competent school plan for suicide awareness that illustrates the only existing model from the perspective of Prevention, Intervention and Postvention. This model provides evaluation data, as well as empowerment for all members of the school community who must address these issues on a regular basis. The presentation will be especially helpful when addressing or assisting special populations at risk.

Learning Objectives:

- Identify the essential components of a community based youth suicide coalition.
- Explain the components of the competent school community and the role each plays in suicide prevention.
- List essential components of evidence-based prevention and best practice postvention.
- Outline the overlapping risk factors for bullying behaviors and suicide and assess a school's readiness for implementing prevention programs.

About the Presenter:

Maureen is a licensed clinical social worker and certified group psychotherapist with over 30 years of experience in mental health and crisis intervention. With a practice specialty in suicide, grief, trauma, and crisis resolution for children and families, she has developed numerous programs and published extensively on these and other related topics. She has been providing clinical training in suicide assessment for emergency room mental health screeners for the past seven years and has coauthored a book chapter on the assessment of suicide risk in outpatient settings and the LIFELINES School-Based Youth Suicide Response Program. She is the author of the National Association of Social Work's policy statement and currently serves as the Clinical Director for The Society for the Prevention of Teen Suicide.

For more information:

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