


On the Front Lines: Addressing Stress, Trauma & Suicide Prevention in Community Responders

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**Office of Prevention
Suicide Prevention Initiatives**

Prevent Suicides and attempted Suicides

- Participate and collaborate with the Suicide Prevention Task Force
- Educate providers on suicide risk factors, National Suicide Prevention Lifeline and Question Persuade Refer training
- Suicide prevention is a focus of effort in prevention planning

**Office of Prevention
Suicide Prevention Initiatives**

Priorities of focus

- Promote emotional health and wellness, prevention or delay the onset of complications from substance abuse and mental illness and identify and respond to emerging behavioral health issues
- Prevent and reduce underage drinking and young adult problem drinking

**Office of Prevention
Suicide Prevention Initiatives**

Priorities of focus

- Prevent and reduce attempted suicides and deaths by suicide (emphasis on populations at high risk, especially military families, LGBTQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, questioning) youth, and American Indians and Alaska Natives)
- and/or Prevent and reduce prescription drug and illicit opioid misuse and abuse

**Office of Prevention
Suicide Prevention Initiatives**

Office of Prevention will continue to...

- Participate and collaborate with the Suicide Prevention Task Force
- Educate the prevention system on suicide and effective practices and resources for the prevention of suicide
- Ensure prevention plans address suicide
- Prevent and reduce suicides among populations at high risk