Level 1 training packet Montcalm County

School S.A.F.E. team response: Blue envelope

Suicidal thoughts: Use S.A.F.E. steps

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Level 1: Initial responder

Mini S.A.F.E resource card

County resources

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Suicide S.A.F.E. Team Response



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- Escort to the main office -"Let's walk together to get help."
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Level 2 responder complete C-SSRS

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Low risk

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Moderate risk

Assess risk-protective factors – Decide if low or high risk steps are more appropriate Link with out-patient resources

High risk

Facilitate immediate mental health evaluation – CMH or ED with verbal call ahead Parent/guardian education



Safety plan

Date completed:



| Step 1: Warning signs (thoughts, images, mood, | situation, behavior) that a crisis may be developing: |
|--|---|
| 1 | |
| 2 | |
| 3 | |
| Step 2: Internal coping strategies – things I can operson (relaxation technique, physical ac | do to take my mind off my problems without contacting another ctivity): |
| 1 | |
| 2 | |
| 3 | |
| Step 3: People and social settings that provide of | listraction: |
| 1. Name | Phone |
| 2. Name | Phone |
| 3. Place | |
| 4. Place | |
| Step 4: People whom I can ask for help: | |
| 1. Name | Phone |
| 2. Name | Phone |
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| Step 5: Professionals or agencies I can contac | t during a crisis: |
| 1. Clinician name | |
| Clinician pager or emergency contact # | |
| 2. Clinician name | Phone |
| 3. Local urgent care services | |
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| • | 88 or 1.800.273.TALK (8255) or text "HELP" to 988 or 741.741 |
| Step 6: Making the environment safe (lock or eli | iminate lethal means): |
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| 2 | |
| Step 7: For referral information regarding ongoi | ng behavioral health services: |
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| Step 8: The one thing that is most important to | me and worth living for is: |
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Plan de seguridad



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| Montcalm County Sherriff's Office | Emergency | • |
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Level 2: Administrators, leadership and social workers

Level 1: Initial responder- for reference only

Level 2: Columbia suicide severity rating scale and response recommendations

Safety plan-English and Spanish

After the blue envelope event

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Columbia suicide severity rating scale S A F E



| Suicide ideation definitions and prompts: | In the la | st month |
|---|-----------|----------|
| Ask questions that are in bold. | Yes | No |
| Ask questions 1 and 2 (in the last month) | | |
| 1. Wish to be dead: Student endorses thoughts about a wish to be dead or not alive anymore, or wish to fall asleep and not wake up? | | |
| In the last month, have you wished you were dead, or wished you could go to sleep and not wake up? | | |
| 2. Suicidal thoughts: General non-specific thoughts of wanting to end one's life/commit suicide, "I've thought about killing myself" without general thoughts of ways to kill oneself/associated methods, intent, or plan. In the last month, have you had any actual thoughts of killing yourself? | | |
| If YES to 2, ask questions 3, 4, 5, and 6. If NO to 2, go directly to question 6. | | |
| 3. Suicidal thoughts with method (without specific plan or intent to act): Student endorses thoughts of suicide and has thought of at least one method during the assessment period. This is different than a specific plan with time, place or method details worked out. "I thought about taking an overdose but I never made a specific plan as to when, where or how I would actually do itand I would never go through with it." | | |
| In the last month, have you been thinking about how you might do this? | | |
| 4. Suicidal intent (without specific plan): Active suicidal thoughts of killing oneself and student reports having some intent to act on such thoughts, as opposed to "I have the thoughts but I definitely will not do anything about them." | | |
| In the last month, have you had these thoughts and had some intention of acting on them? | | |
| 5. Suicide intent with specific plan: Thoughts of killing oneself with details of plan fully or partially worked out and student has some intent to carry it out. | | |
| In the last month, have you started to work out or worked out the details of how to kill yourself? | | |
| Do you intend to carry out this plan? | | |
| 6. Suicide behavior question | | time |
| Have you ever done anything, started to do anything, or prepared to do anything to end your life? | | |
| Examples: collected pills, obtained a gun, gave away valuables, wrote a will or suicide note, took out pills but didn't swallow any, held a gun but changed your mind or it was grabbed from your hand, went to the roof but didn't jump; or actually took pills, tried to shoot yourself, cut yourself, tried to hang yourself, etc. | | |
| | | months |
| If YES, ask: Was this within the past 3 months? | | |

After a blue envelope event

- 1. Document event (student information/counseling log) Include:
 - · Columbia-SSRS results suicide thoughts, intent, plan, student denies current risk, etc.
 - Safety plan completed?
 - · Lethal means reduced and addressed?
 - · Follow-up plan

2. Notify parent/guardian

- · Provide warning signs education and resources
- · Obtain release of information for seamless transition of care
- · Provide safety plan

3. Report unidentified incident data

- Complete the school blue envelope tracking tool
- Attend clinical review meetings to review data trends, best practices and eliminate barriers to safe services



Student safety measures and response protocols based on C-SSRS responses C-SSRS quick screen questions (in the last month) Action for highest "yes" response "Yes" indicates Question Level of risk **Schools** Wish to be dead Low · Consider referral to social worker or outpatient 1. In the last month, have you wished you were dead in the mental health last month or wished you could Complete SAFETY PLAN with student/parent, go to sleep and not wake up? provide copy and follow-up next day Consider student/parent education and local Nonspecific 2. In the last month, have you resources with crisis contacts actually had any thoughts of thoughts killing yourself? Thoughts with **Moderate** 3. In the last month, have you Assess risk factors and protective factors to method (without been thinking about how you determine if low or high-risk disposition is more Consider specific plan or might kill yourself? relevant - follow associated steps C-SSRS intent to act) Complete SAFETY PLAN with student/parent, answers plus provide copy and follow-up next day risk factors/ Consider recommending a mental health evaluation protective with social work or at a community mental health factors organization Thoughts with 4. In the last month, have you had High · Facilitate immediate mental health evaluation with some intent these thoughts and had some - Community mental health OR (without specific intention of acting on them? - Social work OR plan) - Pine Rest Psychiatric Urgent Care Center OR answers plus - Emergency department risk factors/ Thoughts, intent 5. In the last month, have you protective Educate student/parent on signs of suicide risk started to work out or worked with plan factors factors and safety measures with resources and out the details of how to kill crisis contacts yourself? Do you intend to carry out this plan? Behavior **Moderate** Assess risk factors and determine if low or high-risk **6.** Have you ever: disposition is more relevant – follow associated steps Done anything, Lifetime Started to do anything, Educate student/parent on signs of suicide risk factors and safety measures with crisis contacts Prepared to do anything to end · Complete SAFETY PLAN with student/parent, your life? provide copy and follow-up next day High Facilitate immediate mental health evaluation with - Community mental health OR Past 3 months - Social work OR

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crisis contacts

 Educate student/parent on signs of suicide risk factors and safety measures with resources and

Safety plan

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