



STATE OF MICHIGAN

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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ELIZABETH HERTEL
DIRECTOR

Michigan Suicide Prevention Commission

July 15, 2022

10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

South Grand Building – Grand Conference Room

333 S. Grand Avenue, Lansing, MI

[Microsoft Teams Meeting](#)

Conference Line: 248-509-0316

Access Code: 763 616 087#

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order – Dr. Brian Ahmedani**
- II. Public Comment**
- III. Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes – All**
- IV. MDHHS Updates**
 - a. Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Administration – Dr. Debra Pinals
 - b. Injury Violence Prevention – Jennifer DeLaCruz/Pat Smith
- V. Subcommittee Workgroup Updates – Rachel Zaguskin**
 - a. Death Scene Investigation Form
- VI. Old Business –**
 - a. **Discussion: Solidifying 2022 Commission Goals and Activities - Dr. Brian Ahmedani**
 - b. **Discussion: Statewide Summit – Nancy Buyle**
 - c. **Discussion: Postvention – Barb Smith**
 - d. **Follow Up: With One Voice/DPTV Conversation – Dr. Brian Ahmedani**
- VII. Other Updates**
 - a. Policy Update – Corbin Standley
 - b. 988 Update – Rachel Zaguskin
 - c. Vacancy Status – Dr. James Bell III
 - d. Other Updates
- VIII. Next Steps**
 - a. Action Item Recap – Rachel Zaguskin
- IX. Public Comment (time permitting)**
- X. Adjourn**

Upcoming Meetings

Suicide Prevention Commission Meeting

August 19, 2022

10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Please contact Rachel Zaguskin for additional meeting information.

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July 2022 Suicide Prevention Commission Attendance Report

	Name	Present	Present (Phone)	Not Present
1	Shaun Abbey			
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3	Brian Ahmedani			
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5	Debra Brinson			
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15	Ryan Schroerlucke			
16	Barbara Smith			
17	Corbin Standley			
18	Kiran Taylor			
19	Kenneth Wolf			
20	Vacancy – Community Mental Health Association of Michigan Appointment			
21	Vacancy – Faith Based Organization			
22	Vacancy – Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs			
23	Vacancy – Michigan Psychiatric Society Appointment			
24	Vacancy – Suicide Loss Survivor			
25	Vacancy – Substance Use Disorder Expert			
26	Vacancy – Suicide Attempt Survivor			
	James Bell			
	Jennifer DeLaCruz			
	Debra Pinals			
	Linda Scarpetta			
	Patricia Smith			
	Rachel Zaguskin			



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June 17, 2022

10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

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AGENDA

I. Call to Order – Dr. Brian Ahmedani

Dr. Ahmedani called the meeting to order at 10:31 AM. The roll was taken, and a quorum of members were not present.

II. Public Comment

Public comment was provided by Alyssa Knoll and Julie Cortright.

III. Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes – All

April 2022 and May 2022 meeting minutes were not reviewed due to lack of quorum.

IV. MDHHS Updates

a. Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Administration – Dr. Debra Pinals

Dr. Pinals provided an update about 988's rollout. 988 is going live on July 16th. Dr. Pinals gave a brief overview and history of MiCAL and 988 and discussed how MiCAL is currently being actively rolled out.

Questions around 988 were asked and answered.

b. Injury Violence Prevention – Jennifer DeLaCruz/Pat Smith

Lindsay DeCamp provided an update on starting a community of practice for suicide prevention coalitions in the state. A date in August was selected and more information will be sent out after the meeting to all coalition leaders.

Megan Scott provided an update on the PRiSMM and Commission partnered media campaign for adult men. The campaign has officially launched last week and focuses on stories of hope and resilience in attempt to reduce stigma and increase help seeking behavior in adult men. The tag line is "speak up, the life you save can be your own." Videos can be found on the Michigan.gov website (Michigan.gov/lifeyou safe). Last years Lethal Means campaign can also be found on the same website.

V. Subcommittee Workgroup Updates – Rachel Zaguskin

a. Death Scene Investigation Form

Rachel did not have any significant updates to share. The work is still in progress and the workgroup plans on meeting in July.

VI. Old Business – Dr. Brian Ahmedani

a. Partnership with WOV/DPTV

With One Voice & Detroit PBS discussed a desire for a collaboration effort with the Michigan Suicide Prevention Commission in the future.

Leo and Michael presented their partnership proposal and how the two visions can align and benefit each other.

Discussion was had about the Commission forming subcommittees to interface with DPTV and With One Voice on an ongoing basis.

Comments from Commissioners were as follows: Concern arose about limiting the goal of reducing suicide by a numeric number instead of an aspirational goal of zero. Another common concern was thinking about what a central hub would look like and entails. A comment about the proposal was made that there was a desire to have more concrete goals and or outcomes that we would hope to get out of this partnership and wondering how DPTV goals would line up with the Commission's goals specifically. Another comment that had arisen was that the Commission needs to be careful and selective of the partnerships and endorsement they choose to promote. A proposal of creating a communications sub-workgroup, which would include subject matter experts, within the Commissioners to further detail the partnership was brought up as an idea to move forward and flesh out ideas for the future message and goals we are putting forth.

For the future meeting, forming a subgroup to flesh out the details of a potential future partnership with DPTV/With One Voice was decided on.

b. Statewide Summit

Nancy was not present at the meeting so this agenda item would be moved to the following Commission meeting.

c. Other action items from the last meeting

VII. Discussion: Postvention – Barb Smith

Barb discussed wanting to vote on if the post suicide prevention recommendation committee from the state could be chosen as experts to guide postvention goals that we have for the state of Michigan.

Due to lack of quorum this agenda item will be moved to next months agenda item.

VIII. Discussion: 2022 Commission Goals and Activities - Dr. Brian Ahmedani

Goals, priorities, and activities that were brought up during the meeting was as follows: postvention resources/subcommittee, creating a communication workgroup, a focus on lethal means relation with

suicide and violence, partnering with different organizations that are focused on lethal means and safe storage, getting suicide prevention training, or providing CE credits into medical schools and for clinicians.

IX. Other Updates

a. Policy Update – Corbin Standley

Corbin provided updates on healthcare professional training – 11 states that require training, four states encourage training, Michigan is not on the list at the moment.

State policy update: no significant updates but Corbin will continue to monitor policies.

At a national level: the house and commerce committee restored the advancing hope and wellbeing act. SAMHSA initiated 988 workforce push.

- Effective suicide screening and emergency department act: support hospitals ability to screen for suicide risk in emergency departments.
- Behavioral health crisis expansion act
- 988 Implementation act
- LGBTQ+ suicide prevention – banning conversation therapy and expands data collection, expands access to gender affirming care, and promotes LGBTQ+ youth mental health and suicide prevention.

Corbin will continue monitoring federal bills.

b. Discussion: July’s Commission Meeting - Rachel Zaguskin

A conversation was had about having a July and August meeting. The possibility of cancelling Augusts’ meeting was discussed. No final decision was made.

c. Other Updates

X. Next Steps

a. Action Item Recap – Rachel Zaguskin

- Include link to media campaign in weekly update email
- Include attachment of With One Voice Proposal in weekly update email
- Forward Firearm Safety Document
- Email Corbin’s policy update
- Email doodle poll for Commissioner participation for July and August

XI. Public Comment (time permitting)

Public comment was provided by Erika Espinoza

XII. Adjourn

The June 2022 Michigan Suicide Prevention Commission meeting was adjourned at 12:16.

Upcoming Meetings

Suicide Prevention Commission Meeting

July 15, 2022

10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Please contact Rachel Zaguskin for additional meeting information.

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June 2022 Suicide Prevention Commission Attendance Report

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1	Shaun Abbey			X
2	Zaneta Adams	X		
3	Brian Ahmedani	X		
4	William Beecroft	X		
5	Debra Brinson			X
6	Nancy Buyle			X
7	Adelle Cadieux	X		
8	Jessica DeJohn	X		
9	Sarah Derwin	X		
10	Amber Desgranges			X
11	Kevin Frank Fischer	X		
12	Cathrine Frank	X		
13	John Greden			X
14	Cary Johnson			X
15	John Joseph	X		
16	Laurin Jozlin	X		
17	Jennifer Morgan			X
18	Thomas Reich			X
19	Ryan Schroerlucke		X	
20	Barbara Smith	X		
21	Corbin Standley		X	
22	Kiran Taylor			X
23	Kenneth Wolf			X
	James Bell			X
	Jennifer DeLaCruz	X		
	Debra Pinals		X	
	Linda Scarpetta			X
	Patricia Smith	X		
	Rachel Zaguskin	X		



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May 20, 2022

10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

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MINUTES

I. Call to Order – Dr. Brian Ahmedani

Brian Ahmedani called the May 2022 Suicide Prevention Commission Meeting to order. The roll was taken, and there was not a quorum of members present.

II. Public Comment

Public Comment was provided by Mia Reid and Julie Cortright.

III. Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes – All

March 2022 Meeting minutes were not reviewed due to lack of quorum.

IV. MDHHS Updates

- a. Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Administration – Dr. Debra Pinals

No updates

- b. Injury Violence Prevention – Jennifer DeLaCruz/Pat Smith

- i. AMSR T4T – Kristen Smith

Kristen provided update on Assessing and Managing Suicide Risk Training for trainers this July 12-14. Application for candidates is due May 20th at 5 PM. On July 12th there is a Community Assessing and Managing Suicide Risk training, there are 15 spots available and 25 spots available for Training for Trainers.

If you are interested or know someone who would be interested, please contact Kristen Smith at smithk134@michigan.gov

Kristen also provided an update on the Media/Ad Campaign.

ii. **CTAM Recap – Lindsay DeCamp**

Lindsay provided a recap on the success of the Community Technical Assistance Meeting (CTAM).

V. Subcommittee Workgroup Updates – Rachel Zaguskin

a. **Death Scene Investigation Form**

Barb Smith provided update on the progress of the Death Scene Investigation Workgroup. Barb stressed the importance of balancing the data that we need to collect for national as well as statewide information with a form that works for law enforcement on the scene as well as the medical examiner's office.

VI. With One Voice & Detroit PBS Presentation – Michael Pyne, Leo Nouhan and Al Hibert

Michael Pyne and Leo Nouhan gave a presentation about With One Voice and how it brought the suicide prevention community together.

With One Voice & Detroit PBS discussed a desire for a collaboration effort with the Michigan Suicide Prevention Commission in the future.

Barb Smith and John Greden acknowledged their support in endorsing partnership with DPTV.

With One Voice & Detroit PBS requested an endorsement of official support from the Michigan Suicide Prevention Commission. An official endorsement from the commission was discussed but due to lack of quorum the Commission was unable to officially approve this decision.

Leo discussed providing the commission with an official outlined proposal of what the envisioned partnership would look like.

VII. Discussion: Listening Sessions – Nancy Buyle

Nancy opened up a discussion of reintroducing listening sessions supported by a partnership With One Voice and Detroit PBS. Laurin Jozlin provided comment of support. But due to lack of quorum a further discussion will need to be had at the next commission meeting.

VIII. Discussion: Statewide Suicide Prevention Summit – Nancy Buyle

Nancy discussed the idea of having a statewide suicide prevention summit with counties in the state. Nancy discussed having five key stakeholders from each county come together, along with the Commission, to discuss the Commission's report, have expert conversations, and have presentations and then ask each county to develop a work plan that they will bring back to their local county.

IX. Discussion: 2022 Commission Goals and Activities - Dr. Brian Ahmedani

Due to time restrictions this discussion topic was moved to be had at June's Commission Meeting.

X. Other Updates

a. Policy Update – Corbin Standley

- There has not been much traction on new state legislation since the last meeting.
- In federal legislation congress introduced bipartisan resolution to recognize May as National Mental Health Awareness Month. Another bill – the Justice in Mental Health Collaboration Reauthorization Act passed through the Senate judiciary committee last week and will go to the full senate for a vote and then to the house. This act focuses on decriminalizing mental illness as well as components related to the crisis response system such as mobile crisis units.
- A lot of work happening around funding and infrastructure at state and federal level in regard to 988.

Corbin will continue to monitor.

b. Discussion: June’s Commission Meeting - Rachel Zaguskin

c. Other Updates

Jennifer DeLaCruz provided an update that Rachel Zaguskin will be the Grant Coordinator for 988.

XI. Next Steps

- a. Action Item Recap – Rachel Zaguskin

XII. Public Comment (time permitting)

XIII. Adjourn

The May 2022 Michigan Suicide Prevention Commission was adjourned.

Upcoming Meetings

Suicide Prevention Commission Meeting

June 17, 2022

10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Please contact Rachel Zaguskin for additional meeting information.

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AGENDA

I. Call to Order – Dr. Brian Ahmedani

Dr. Ahmedani called the meeting to order at 10:33 AM. The roll was taken, and a quorum of members were present.

II. Public Comment

Public comment was provided by Celeste Kanpurwala.

III. Review and Approve Previous Meeting Minutes – All

The July 2021, September 2021, November 2021, January 2022, February 2022 Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved.

IV. MDHHS Updates

- a. Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Administration – Dr. Debra Pinals

No updates from Dr. Pinals

- b. Injury Violence Prevention – Jennifer DeLaCruz/Pat Smith

Jennifer DeLaCruz reported no significant updates.

The Suicide Prevention Team put out a concept paper for the Michigan Health Endowment Fund. Their focus this spring is on behavioral health. The team put out a proposal to reduce access to lethal means, specifically when someone is

experiencing a crisis. The concept paper stated that the mission of the paper aligns with the commission's recommendations.

The team remains hopeful that the concept paper will be reviewed, and the Suicide Prevention Team will be invited to submit a full proposal. The fund would be for over two years and \$500,000 part of this funding would be for staffing and the other part would be for the intervention.

Lindsay DeCamp reported that the Community Technical Assistance Meeting (CTAM) registration were open and noted that if anyone was interested in attending the meeting registration is currently filled up to half of its capacity (50 spots left). Lindsay requested James Bell or Rachel Zaguskin to share the CTAM registration information with the Commission members.

There are 4 preliminary sessions scheduled focusing on African American, LGBT, Indigenous and military communities. Keynote speakers include Dr. Patrick Carter from the University of Michigan who will be talking about firearm safety, Travis Atkinson who will be talking about crisis services, care givers and first responders. There will be 9 breakout speakers, a postvention session where Barb Smith is going to be presenting. And Laurin Jozlin will be on a panel for Zero Suicide implementation.

Kristen Smith reported that there will be more updates about Assessing and Managing Suicide Risk Training for Trainers in May and June and there will be a Michigan Men Ad Campaign for September for Suicide Prevention Week.

Rachel Zaguskin updated the Commission on the status of the Media Campaign. The campaign currently has two volunteers. The campaign will be running from May 23rd to June 30th and September 4th-September 10th for Suicide Prevention Week.

V. Subcommittee Workgroup Updates – Rachel Zaguskin

a. Death Scene Investigation Form

Rachel Zaguskin reported the Death Scene Investigation Form is not yet finalized. This workgroup's meeting time will be rescheduled to increase engagement.

VI. 2022 Suicide Prevention Commission Report – Dr. James Bell III

Rachel Zaguskin reported that the report was with the communications department and will be submitted by the end of the month.

VII. Discussion: 2022 Commission Goals and Activities - Dr. Brian Ahmedani

Nancy Buyle reviewed s summary of last week's commission meeting goals and activities.

There is additional interest in:

- Creating a new subgroup to build off of the work previously done by the Universal Screening Tool Workgroup and refocus towards examining suicide prevention assessment.
- Creating a care pathway subcommittee that will provide recommendations.
- Creating a workgroup that focuses on dealing with lethal means access, availability, and means reduction recommendations.
- Educating schools about how to deal with the topics related to suicide and teach resilience.
- Coordinating with the state about creating a crisis stabilization unit workgroup and coordinating with providers who may not have a co-care or collaborative care model to identify issues and have a resource available to them immediately.
- Maximizing Community Health and Medicaid dollars and start a conversation with the state about bringing in different trainings and expediting dollars to bring in more specialist.
- Focusing on connecting schools, colleges, and youth to services.
- Focusing on upstream approaches regarding educating and training all providers about suicide and suicide prevention and incorporating how to properly deal with suicide and suicide prevention in all school curriculums.
- Opening a conversation about a payment piece to address additional capacity.
- Incorporating listening sessions where the public can vote on priority areas that are important to them.
- The commission monitoring MiCAL and 988 as well as its roll out across the state.
- Examining technology/digital based tools to supplement therapy.
- Invite Michael Pine from With One Voice to come and guest speak at a commission meeting.

VIII. Other Updates

- a. Policy Update – Corbin Standley

There has not been much traction on new state legislation since the last meeting.

- Nationally Congress did pass a 1.5 trillion-dollar budget on March 9th to fund the federal government for the fiscal year.
- Key pieces:
 - 2.1 billion dollars to the National Institutes of Mental Health.
 - 12.5 million dollars to continue firearm injury and mortality prevention research.
 - 3.9 million dollars towards substance use treatment
 - Increase in 50 million dollars for health disparities research
 - Significant investments in public health infrastructure which includes 5 million dollars for the National Center of Health Statistics and 61 million dollars for public health force initiatives, some of which is earmarked for mental health specifically.
 - 100 million dollars for public health surveillance at the CDC and state and local health departments.
 - SAMSHA is funded at 6.5 billion dollars.
 - 101.6-million-dollar funding for the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline.
 - 5 million dollars to create a behavioral health crisis and 988 coordinating office at the federal level.
 - 38.8 million dollars for the Garrett Lee Smith suicide prevention grants.
 - 10 million dollars to help communities build mobile behavioral health crisis response.
- Budget did include significant increases to mental health and suicide prevention.

Commissioner Standley will continue to monitor.

Other Updates

IX. Next Steps

a. Action Item Recap – Dr. James Bell III

- Share information with the commission about CTAM.
- Send more information about the media campaign to certain commissioners.
- Discuss reinstating the Universal Screening Tool workgroup to focus on assessment.
- Discuss creating a workgroup to focus on means and access reduction.

- Set up a listening session where we discuss/create a prioritized list of things that the commission would like to discuss and or focus their attention on moving forward.
- Create a list of priorities that the commission would like to focus on.
- Invite Michael Pine and With One Voice to come to a commission meeting and present updates on the work currently being done.

X. Public Comment (time permitting)

Kevin Fischer, Bob Goble, and Celeste Kanpurwala provided public comment.

XI. Adjourn

The March 2022 Michigan Suicide Prevention Commission was adjourned at 12:01 PM.

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Upcoming Meetings

Death Scene Investigation Form Workgroup Meeting

April 20, 2022

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Suicide Prevention Commission Meeting

May 20, 2022

10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Please contact James Bell for additional meeting information.

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Facts and Resources on Child Firearm Suicide

Gun violence has a devastating impact on children in America. **In fact, nearly 40 percent of child gun deaths are suicides**—nearly 700 child gun suicides each year.¹ One study showed that over 80 percent of children under the age of 18 who died by gun suicide used a gun belonging to a parent or relative.² For people of all ages, access to a gun increases the risk of death by suicide by three times.³

Most people who attempt suicide do not die—unless they use a gun.⁴ In fact, 90 percent of suicide attempts with a gun result in death—a much higher fatality rate than any other means of self-harm.⁵ This contributes to the fact that 41 percent of child suicides involve a gun.⁶

A national survey of high school students found that 20 percent had seriously considered attempting suicide within the last year.⁷ And one study showed that 41 percent of adolescents in gun-owning households report having “easy access” to the guns in their home.⁸

Signs to look out for when concerned that a loved one may be suicidal:⁹

- Prolonged sadness and depression
- Changes in mood or behavior
- Hopelessness
- Sleeping too much or too little
- Withdrawing/Isolation
- Aggression or agitation
- Increased alcohol or drug use
- Talking about killing themselves

Research shows that secure firearm storage is associated with a decreased risk of child firearm suicide. One study showed that households that locked both firearms and ammunition had a 78 percent lower risk of self-inflicted firearm injuries among children and teenagers.¹⁰ The risk of gun violence and self-harm have grown during the COVID-19 pandemic, with kids experiencing increased levels of stress and isolation, and more guns being purchased. These factors make it even more important that firearms are stored securely.

Some additional key steps you can take to support your loved one include: inviting an honest conversation, listening and supporting your loved one, and encouraging them to see a mental health professional or a primary care physician.¹¹

Resources

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

Call 1-800-273-8255. Available 24 hours a day.

Trevor Project, the LGBTQ youth suicide prevention line

Call TrevorLifeline at 1-866-488-7386.

Text HOME to 741741 from anywhere in the United States, anytime, about any type of crisis.



¹ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. National Center for Health Statistics. WONDER Online Database, Underlying Cause of Death. A yearly average was developed using five years of most recent available data: 2016 to 2020. Children aged 0 to 17.

² Renee M. Johnson et al., "Who Are the Owners of Firearms Used in Adolescent Suicides?" *Suicide and Life-Threatening Behavior* 40, no. 6, (2010): 609–11.

³ Andrew Anglemyer, Tara Horvath, and George Rutherford, "The Accessibility of Firearms and Risk for Suicide and Homicide Victimization Among Household Members: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis," *Annals of Internal Medicine* 160, no. 2 (2014): 101–10.

⁴ Everytown for Gun Safety Support Fund, "Firearm Suicide in the United States," December 28, 2021, <https://everytownresearch.org/report/firearm-suicide-in-the-united-states/>.

⁵ Andrew Conner, Deborah Azrael, and Matthew Miller, "Suicide Case-Fatality Rates in the United States, 2007 to 2014: A Nationwide Population-Based Study," *Annals of Internal Medicine* 171, no. 2 (2019): 885–95.

⁶ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. National Center for Health Statistics. WONDER Online Database, Underlying Cause of Death. A yearly average was developed using five years of most recent available data: 2016 to 2020. Analysis includes children aged 0 to 17.

⁷ Sherry Everett Jones et al., "Mental Health, Suicidality, and Connectedness among High School Students During the COVID-19 Pandemic—Adolescent Behaviors and Experiences Survey, United States, January–June 2021," *MMWR Supplement* 71, no. 3 (April 2022): 16–21.

⁸ Joseph A. Simonnet et al., "Psychiatric Comorbidity, Suicidality, and In-Home Firearm Access Among a Nationally Representative Sample of Adolescents," *JAMA Psychiatry*, 72, no. 2 (2015): 152–59.

⁹ American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, "Risk Factors, Protective Factors, and Warning Signs," (2022), <https://afsp.org/risk-factors-protective-factors-and-warning-signs..>

¹⁰ David C. Grossman et al., "Gun Storage Practices and Risk of Youth Suicide and Unintentional Injuries," *JAMA* 293, no. 6 (2005): 707–14.

¹¹ American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, "When Someone is at Risk," (2022), <https://afsp.org/when-someone-is-at-risk>.