



Meeting: Michigan Suicide Prevention Commission

Date: February 16, 2024

Time: 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

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Lansing, MI 48933

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Agenda Items:

1. Call to Order – Nancy Buyle

a. Roll Call

Brian Ahmedani called the February 2024 Michigan Suicide Prevention Commission Meeting to order at 10:31 AM.

The roll was taken, and a quorum of members were present.

2. Public Comment

There was no public comment provided at this time.

3. Review and Adopt Previous Meeting Minutes – All

Cathrine Frank motioned to approve the previous meeting minutes. Kevin Fischer seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

4. MDHHS Updates

a. Behavioral Health and Forensic Programs – Debra Pinals

Debra Pinals (MDHHS) reported her program is working on drafts and the planning process for 988 focus group listening sessions for elderly and aging populations.

In February 2024, the Michigan Behavioral Health Crisis System Update has come out. If you are interested in receiving the quarterly newsletter, you can sign up at mpcip-support@mphi.org

The Governor's Executive Recommendation included \$7.5M to continue the Mi-CAL service line. This should continue all the Mi-CAL lines except the first responder line. The additional funding from the SAMHSA grant will be fully funded for FY25.

The group continues to work with Vibrant to add talk and text. This will be added in the near future.

Dr. Pinals gave a January 2024 Metrics update:

- 90% answer rate
- 7755 calls

b. Injury Violence Prevention Section

- i. Preventing Suicide in Michigan Men (PRiSMM) – Kristen Smith
Kristen Smith (MDHHS) reported the PRiSMM program recently completed their year three community scan. The report highlights the gaps and barriers for suicide prevention in the state. It is available by request.

The group is currently working on year five, the final year of the award continuation application with the CDC. PRiSMM is providing SafeTalk trainings for faith based communities, communities of color, underserved communities, as well as Assessing and Managing Suicide Risk training for clinicians in communities that need AMSR trainings brought to them. If you are interested in participating please contact Kristen.

Man Therapy created Valentines Day eCards and is now preparing for March Madness. Resources and marketing materials are available.

- ii. Transforming Youth Suicide Prevention (TYSP) - Lindsay DeCamp
Lindsay DeCamp (MDHHS) reported the group is in the last four months of the Transforming Youth Suicide Prevention grant and waiting for the notice of funding opportunity from SAMHSA to start putting the next application together.

Registration is now open for the Community Technical Assistance Conference. It will take place May 1st – May 3rd and is already over 50% full.

Lindsay also reported all of the firearm legislation that went into effect on February 13th now has a revamped website, with infographics and resources.

5. Subcommittee Workgroup Updates – James Bell

a. Statewide Summit

Rachel Zaguskin (MDHHS) reported the Michigan Suicide Prevention Commission statewide summit will take place at the Lansing Center on August 6th and 7th. The theme for the event is **Community Collaboration: Michigan's Roadmap to Suicide Prevention**. Invitations to keynote

speakers will be going out in the next week, and the call for speakers will be submitted for individuals to lead breakout sessions. Corbin Standley will serve as the subject matter expert for the content calls.

b. Succession

James Bell (MDHHS) The Succession Committee met this month and continued discussions on suicide prevention trainings as part of licensing requirements. James reported to find the right avenue, LARA will need to be engaged and we should reach out to Amy Gumbrecht.

There was additional discussion on limitations with the mental health code and not being able to get relevant information from previous hospitals. A meeting was scheduled with Krista Hausermann and it was determined the biggest barrier may be guidance and not the Mental Health Code. A follow up meeting will be scheduled to dive deeper into this issue.

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6. Old Business

a. 2024 Annual Report

Today is the last day to provide edits to the 2024 Annual Report. Once all feedback has been received, it will be submitted to the Public Health Administration Director for review and approval, then to MDHHS Communications for approval. Once all has been incorporated, it will be sent on to the Legislature.

7. New Business

a. Legislative Engagement: State Prevention Office Funding – Brian Ahmedani

Brian Ahmedani provided an update on the effort to get funding for a sustaining suicide prevention office for the state. A letter is in draft to express the need to shift to hard funding and funding is appropriated on an annual basis. The legislation would also include a number of FTEs to staff the office. This letter would also include the duties and responsibilities of the office. There is a long term strategy for legislative engagement, educating them on different programs from other states.

Kevin Fischer motioned to have the ad-hoc committee working on this letter to provide a draft to the Legislature. Nancy Buyle seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

b. School Safety and Mental Health Commission Next Steps

James Bell (MDHHS) attended the School Safety and Mental Health Commission meeting and provided an overview of the Suicide Prevention Commission. The group requested dates for the Suicide Prevention Commission meetings, the date for the upcoming summit and Commission priorities requiring follow up. A follow up meeting will be made with both Commissions to discuss priorities in more detail.

8. Other Updates

a. Policy Update – Corbin Standley

Corbin Standley reported many of the bills are in the same place they were in terms of committee last month.

b. Other

Students from Active Minds Club had an opportunity to dialogue with the Commission.

9. Next Steps

a. Action Item Recap – Rachel Zaguskin

MDHHS will provide an updated agenda for Commissioners and schedule a follow up with the School Safety and Mental Health Commission.

Corbin Standley/Kevin Fischer, and Carol Zuniga are going to be working on bullets and talking points for legislators.

10. Public Comment (time permitting)

No public comment was provided at this time.

11. Adjourn

Kevin Fischer motioned to adjourn the February 2024 Michigan Suicide Prevention Commission Meeting. Nancy Buyle seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

The February 2024 Michigan Suicide Prevention Commission meeting adjourned at 12:31 PM.

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February 2024 Suicide Prevention Commission Attendance Report

	Name	Present	Present (Phone)	Not Present
1	Shaun Abbey			X
2	Brian Ahmedani	X		
3	William Beecroft	X		
4	Debra Brinson		D	
5	Nancy Buyle	X		
6	Adelle Cadieux	X		
7	Sarah Derwin			X
8	Amber Desgranges	X		
9	Kevin Frank Fischer	X		
10	Cathrine Frank	X		
11	Brian Galdes	X		
12	Gregory Ginebaugh			X
13	Cary Johnson			X
14	John Joseph	X		
15	Brian Love		D	
16	Ryan Schroerlucke	X		
17	Barbara Smith	X		
18	Corbin Standley	X		
19	Kiran Taylor			X
20	Kenneth Wolf			X
21	Wilbur Yancer			X
22	Carol Zuniga	X		
23	Vacancy – MDHHS Director Appointment			
24	Vacancy – Faith Based Organization			
25	Vacancy – Suicide Prevention Expertise with SAMHSA grant			
26	Vacancy – MSP Nominee			
27	Vacancy – Veteran’s Facility Ombudsman			