

SEPTEMBER 2016 OHIO ZERO SUICIDE ACADEMY™

Zero Suicide is a commitment to suicide prevention in health and behavioral health care systems and also a specific set of tools and strategies. It is both a concept and a practice. Its core proposition is that suicide deaths for people under care are preventable and that the bold goal of zero suicides among persons receiving care is an aspirational challenge that health systems should accept. It represents a commitment to patient safety – the most fundamental responsibility of health care – and also to the safety and support of clinical staff who treat and support suicidal patients.

The Zero Suicide Academy™ is a two-day training for senior leaders of health and behavioral health care organizations that seek to dramatically reduce suicides among patients in their care. Fifteen health and behavioral health care organizations were selected to attend the Zero Suicide Academies™ in Akron and Findlay in October 2016:

Child Guidance and Family Solutions
Coleman Behavioral Health
Columbus Area Integrated Health Services
CommQuest Services
Community Support Services
Greenleaf Family Center
Portage Path Behavioral Health
The Nord Center
Northcoast Behavioral Healthcare Team 1
Northcoast Behavioral Healthcare Team 2
Century Health, Inc.
Coleman Professional Services
Consolidated Care Inc.
Family Resource Center of Northwest Ohio
Northwest Ohio Psychiatric Hospital