

**MONTANA TRIBES AND URBAN CENTERS  
ZERO SUICIDE ACADEMY™ REGISTRATION**

**October 11-12, 2017  
Wingate by Wyndham Helena  
Helena, MT**

**Registration Deadline:** Friday, September 15, 2017

**Sponsoring Organization:** At the request of the Montana Native Youth Suicide Reduction Coalition, the MONTANA TRIBES AND URBAN CENTERS Zero Suicide Academy™ is sponsored by Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services (MT DPHHS).

MT DPHHS is sponsoring the Zero Suicide Academy™ to support the efforts outlined in the Montana Native Youth Suicide Reduction Strategic Plan. The strategic plan was collaboratively developed by representatives from each Montana tribe and urban center. The implementation of the Zero Suicide model is a key strategy identified in the strategic plan. MT DPHHS is committed to working with Montana tribes and urban centers to reduce Native youth suicide across the state.

**Registration:** The Zero Suicide Academy™ Registration consists of:

1. A Registration Sheet, using the template provided on page 3. **The lead applicant will receive all correspondence and must be one of the four team members.**
2. RECOMMENDED: A Zero Suicide Organizational Self-Study, completed by the team members. The Self-Study can be found at <http://zerosuicide.sprc.org/resources/zero-suicide-organizational-self-study>.

**Requirement:** Each tribe and urban center can come with a team of up to 4 individuals. Teams should include at least one senior leader from the organization as well as the person(s) responsible for implementation decisions. If all four slots are not needed, or if you need more than 4 slots, please indicate this on your Registration Sheet. Training slots are limited; requests for additional slots will be considered based on available space.

**Funding:** Zero Suicide Academy™ fees, materials, and lunch will be provided by the MT DPHHS. All other costs, such as travel, per diem and lodging, are not included and must be covered by participating organizations. MT DPHHS has active Task Orders in place with each tribe and urban center to cover the majority, if not all, of these costs.

**Deadline:** The Registration sheet should be submitted via email to [julie.cahoon@kauffmaninc.com](mailto:julie.cahoon@kauffmaninc.com), or

faxed to ATTN: Julie Cahoon, at 509-747-5030 by Friday, September 15, 2017. As recommended, the completed Zero Suicide Organizational Self-Study should be submitted by Friday, September 29, 2017.

**Timeline:**

Registration released	July 26, 2017
Registration Sheet due	September 15, 2017
Organizational Self-Study due	September 29, 2017
Zero Suicide Academy™ conducted	October 11-12, 2017

**Questions:**

Please contact Julie Cahoon, Kauffman & Associates, Inc., at [julie.cahoon@kauffmaninc.com](mailto:julie.cahoon@kauffmaninc.com) or 509-789-0661.

**Montana Tribes and Urban Indian Centers Zero Suicide Academy™  
Registration Sheet**

<b>Tribe/Urban Indian Center Name:</b>		
<b>Lead Applicant (1)</b>		
<b>Name:</b>		
Job Title:		
Phone Number:		
Email Address:		
<b>Other Team Members (3)</b>		
<b>Name:</b>		
Job Title:		
Email Address:		
<b>Name:</b>		
Job Title:		
Email Address:		
<b>Name:</b>		
Job Title:		
Email Address:		
<b>Type of organization (check all that apply):</b>	<p><b>Please list other practice transformation initiatives (e.g., trauma informed care, just in time scheduling, collaborative documentation, expansion of peer workforce, etc.) your organization is currently working on.</b></p>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Health Program <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Indian Health Organization <input type="checkbox"/> Indian Health Service <input type="checkbox"/> Other behavioral health organization (e.g. alcohol and drug treatment, community psychiatric rehab, crisis response) <input type="checkbox"/> State department of health or mental health <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please describe:		
<b>Services Provided (check all that apply):</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Primary Care <input type="checkbox"/> Behavioral Health <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please describe:		
<b>Number of clients served annually by your organization:</b>		
<b>Number of service sites:</b>		
<b>Total number of staff employed or contracted (include both clinical and non-clinical):</b>		
<b>Which population is your organization's primary focus? (Check both if applicable.)</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Adults <input type="checkbox"/> Youth	

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## Zero Suicide Academy™

**Zero Suicide Academy™ Description:** 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. Using the Zero Suicide framework, participants learn how to incorporate best and promising practices into their organizations and processes to improve care and safety for individuals at risk. Zero Suicide faculty provide both interactive presentations and small group sessions, and collaborate with participants to develop organization-specific action plans. The objectives of the Zero Suicide Academy™ are to (a) provide organizations interested in adopting a Zero Suicide approach with the skills and information necessary to launch their effort; (b) create collaborative links between the organizations launching these initiatives in order to provide mentorship and support so that the perspectives, knowledge, and skills of each inform the work of the others; and (c) aid in developing implementation plans for the Zero Suicide initiatives at each participating organization. The Zero Suicide Academy™ is presented by the Education Development Center, Inc.

### **Zero Suicide is a key concept of the 2012 National Strategy for Suicide Prevention (NSSP).**

The NSSP calls for suicide prevention to be a core component of health care services and for the implementation of effective clinical and professional practices for assessing and treating those at risk for suicide. Objective 8.1 specifically promotes the adoption of “zero suicides” as an aspirational goal by health care and community support systems that provide services and support to defined patient populations.

### **Zero Suicide is a priority of the National Action Alliance for Suicide Prevention (Action Alliance).**

The Action Alliance is the public-private partnership advancing the NSSP by championing suicide prevention as a national priority, catalyzing efforts to implement high-priority objectives of the NSSP, and cultivating the resources needed to sustain progress. Zero Suicide builds on the momentum of the 2011 report released by the Action Alliance’s Clinical Care and Intervention Task Force, [Suicide Care in Systems Framework](#).

**Zero Suicide Model:** The Zero Suicide model aims to improve care and outcomes for individuals at risk of suicide seen in health care systems. To assist health and behavioral health care organizations in developing and implementing a Zero Suicide approach, [www.zerosuicide.com](http://www.zerosuicide.com) offers an evolving online toolkit. Zero Suicide is a comprehensive approach which includes the following dimensions:

1. Create a leadership-driven, safety-oriented culture committed to dramatically reducing suicide among people under care. Include suicide attempt and loss survivors in leadership and planning roles.
2. Develop a competent, confident, and caring workforce.
3. Systematically identify and assess suicide risk among people receiving care.
4. Ensure every person has a suicide care management plan, or pathway to care, that is both timely and adequate to meet his or her needs. Include collaborative safety planning and restriction of lethal means.
5. Use effective, evidence-based treatments that directly target suicidality.
6. Provide continuous contact and support, especially after acute care.
7. Apply a data-driven quality improvement approach to inform system changes that will lead to improved patient outcomes and better care for those at risk.