

**MEETING NOTICE**  
**ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

Illinois Suicide Prevention Alliance  
 November 18, 2017  
 10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

*Approved February 7, 2017*

VIDEO CONFERENCE:

Chicago – James R. Thompson Center, 100 W. Randolph St., 14<sup>th</sup> Floor, ISBE Board Room/VTel

Springfield – IDPH, One Natural Resources Way, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lake Level

Glen Carbon – IDPH, #22 Kettle River Dr

CONFERENCE CALL-IN: 888-494-4032, Passcode 2631052766#

<b><u>Appointed Members in Attendance</u></b>		<b><i>Present</i></b>	<b><i>Excused</i></b>	<b><i>Un-Excused</i></b>
Eric Davidson	Illinois Higher Education Center	<i>Phone</i>		
Mariann Blacconiere	Representing service members, veterans, and their families	<i>Phone</i>		
Steve Moore	American Foundation for Suicide Prevention – Greater Chicago/Illinois Chapter	<i>Chicago</i>		
Mary Nigma	Survivor of Suicide		X	
Marcus Hall	Representing mental health consumers		X	
Olivia Johnson	Researcher in suicidology	<i>Phone</i>		
Chuck Johnson	Illinois Hospital Association		X	

<b><u>Ex-Officio Members in Attendance</u></b>				
Jessica Gerdes	Illinois State Board of Education	<i>Chicago</i>		
Mary Ratliff	Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority	<i>Springfield</i>		
Brian Kieninger	Illinois Department of Public Health		X	

**Stakeholders in Attendance**

- Chicago
  - Marcella Abrams Illinois Department of Public Health
  - Katie Baker Elyssa’s Mission
  - Stan Lewy Suicide Prevention Association
  - Mariann Mason Lurie’s Children’s Hospital
- Springfield
  - Michael Berkes Illinois Department on Aging
  - Antishay Gardner Illinois Department of Public Health
  - Jennifer Martin Illinois Department of Public Health
- Phone
  - Hannah Chapman Bob Michel Community Based Outpatient Clinic
  - Peter Mulhall Center for Prevention Research and Development
  - Kit Speirs Army OneSource

**Introductions/Welcome**

- Introductions and a welcome were made by Ms. Martin. Quorum was met.

**Review & approval of August 10, 2016 meeting minutes**

- Copies of the minutes were distributed prior to the meeting and copies were available at the Springfield location. Ms. Ratliff motioned for the approval of the May minutes, with a second from Dr. Davidson.

### **Update from Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH)**

- Ms. Martin introduced Ms. Gardner as the new data analyst for the Division of Chronic Disease. She will assist with injury-related data collection and analysis.

### **Update of ISPA leadership positions and member vacancies**

- Ms. Martin reported there were no new appointments since the last meeting. She also reminded the members the Department is accepting nominations for the positions of emergency medical services and fire service.

### **Guest Speakers**

- Two campuses in Illinois were recent awardees of the federal suicide prevention campus grants. They were invited to the meeting but will join us at a future meeting. Some members had questions about the grant program, which Ms. Martin and Dr. Davidson provided insight.
- Jessica Gerdes provided an overview of the 2015 Youth Behavior Risk Surveillance results. Illinois accepts all the required questions from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and adds 10 additional questions. The survey collects information about risk and protective factors. The data includes information about the number of students, but also in comparison to a classroom of 30 students.

### **Overview of suicide prevention related legislation**

- The Veteran Suicide Prevention Task Force is completing their report, due at the end of the year.

### **Bylaw revisions**

- The Department made a few minor amendments to the bylaw revisions. Mr. Moore motioned for the approval of the amendments, with a second from Ms. Ratliff. Motion carried.

### **Annual report discussion**

- Much of the information submitted for the 2015 report were actually 2016 activities. Another request for information will be sent out requesting both 2015 and 2016 information.

### **Workgroup updates**

#### **a. Community Awareness Workgroup**

- No official meeting held this quarter.

#### **b. Data Workgroup**

- Dr. Mason shared a handout about the Illinois Violent Death Reporting System (IVDRS). One of their missions is to collaborate with the prevention field. Her staff serves on the ISPA Data Workgroup.
- Ms. Speirs reported Army OneSource has data maps, including estimated data per county. There is a state landing webpage.
- During the last Data Workgroup meeting, members discussed data released on youth suicides and gained an overview of the Illinois Youth Survey. It was reported IVDRS released a data brief on suicides in Chicago.
- If any other workgroups have data needs, please let Dr. Mulhall know.

#### **c. Education and Training Workgroup**

- No official meeting held this quarter.
- Statewide training
  - Ms. Martin shared the planning committee is researching possible approaches for hosting a statewide training.

#### **d. Service Members, Veterans and their Families Ad Hoc Committee**

- No official meeting held this quarter.

**e. State Agency Support and Review Subcommittee**

- Ms. Martin reported the strategies to train juvenile justice staff were completed. A webinar will be recorded to highlight a report about key content and resources for staff.
- Members provided updates on projects including collaboration with assisted outpatient treatment, working with people who are bereaved and how to outreach to first responders.
- Members were asked to think about other governmental entities to invite to join the subcommittee.

**Announcements**

- Ms. Blacconiere thanked Ms. Reedy for inviting her to present at an event.
- Ms. Baker mentioned she is receiving calls from schools regarding Ann Marie's Law.
- Mr. Moore reported National Survivors of Suicide Day is coming up.
- Dr. Davidson stated Eastern Illinois University is planning a suicide prevention conference.