



**State/Tribal/Campus Suicide Prevention Grantee  
Technical Assistance Meeting  
*Creating Communities of Hope*  
January 5 – 9, 2009 Phoenix, Arizona**

**AGENDA**

**MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2009**

**State Grantees; Tribal Grantees; Adolescents at Risk Grantees**

**7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast [3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Pre Function]**

**8:30-9:00 a.m. Opening Ceremony** - Priscilla Foote, LMSW, Director, Gila River Behavioral Health; Phoenix Oyate Drum Group [**Phoenix D**]

**9:00-9:15 a.m. Welcome/Orientation** - Jerry Reed, PhD, MSW, Director, SPRC and Anara Guard, MLS, Deputy Director, SPRC

**9:15-9:45 a.m. Arizona Welcome** – Bianca McDermott, LPC, Secretary, Arizona Suicide Prevention Coalition

**Plenary: SAMHSA Suicide Prevention Initiatives** - Capt. Maria Dinger, RN, BSN, MS, Branch Chief, Suicide Prevention Branch, SAMHSA

**9:45-10:15 a.m. Break**

**10:15-11:45 a.m. Plenary: Evaluation Update--Cross-site Evaluation, Continuing Grantee Panel on Local Evaluation, Enhanced Evaluation** - Chad Rodi, PhD, Macro International; James Schut, PhD and Jennifer Lockman, Tennessee; Juliette Mackin, PhD, NARA Northwest; Mary Madden, PhD, Maine

**11:45-12:00 p.m. Break**

**12:00-12:45 p.m. Lunch Discussion Roundtables**

**Phoenix E** Select from among: Juvenile justice, Rural, Working with colleges and universities, Foster care, Veterans, Crisis lines, Reaching youth over age 18, Faith-based settings, or create your own discussion topic.

**12:45-1:00 p.m. Break**

*Grantees select program based on whether they are NEW or CONTINUING grants*

**NEW State and Tribal Grantees program:**

**1:00–2:30 p.m. Breakout Sessions 1:**

**Valley B** **1A: Project Management** - Peggy West, SPRC; Tarsha Wilson, SAMHSA; Darrell Russ, SAMHSA; *Moderator: Peggy West, SPRC*

**Valley D** **1B: Establishing Effective Working Relationships with Subcontractors or Subgrantees** - Scott Perkins, Missouri; Debbie Ruggles, Washington State; WyAngela Knight Singh, Oklahoma; *Moderator: Elana Premack Sandler, SPRC*

**Valley A** **1C: IRB Basics for New Evaluators** - Robin King Davis, Macro International; *Moderator: Wendy Cyprien, SPRC*

**Valley E** **1D: Local Evaluation Discussion: for Experienced Evaluators** - Linda Langford, SPRC; Phil Rodgers, AFSP

**2:30-3:00 p.m. Break**

**3:00-4:30 p.m. Workshop [Phoenix D]**

**1E: Strategic Planning for Suicide Prevention** - Katie Wootten, Effie Malley, Ger RainingBird, SPRC; Yvette Joseph, Kauffman & Associates, Inc.

**4:30-6:00 p.m. Grantee Program Showcase and Networking Reception - All State, Tribal AAR Grantees [Phoenix A/B]**

**6:00-7:00 p.m. GPO Meet and Greet: An Opportunity for Grantees to Meet with their Government Project Officers**

**Monday CONTINUING State and Tribal Grantees Program:**

**1:00-2:30 p.m. Breakout Sessions 2**

**Deer Valley 2A: Tell Your Story Well: Merging evaluation and communication for sustainability** - Adrienne Dealy, Communication Resource Center; *Moderator: Anara Guard, SPRC*

**Paradise Valley 2B: State Initiatives to Build Suicide Prevention Infrastructure** - Brian Altman, SPAN USA; Lisa Shumaker, Arizona; Scott Ridgway, Tennessee; Shel Gross, Wisconsin; *Moderator: Effie Malley, SPRC*

**Encanto B 2C: Doing the Work on the Local Level: Building community capacity for suicide prevention** - Carolyn Givens, Ohio; Jason Padgett, SPAN USA; Katie Wootten, SPRC; *Moderator: Katie Wootten and David Litts, SPRC*

**Valley E 2D: Local Evaluation Discussion: for Experienced Evaluators** - Linda Langford, SPRC; Phil Rodgers, AFSP

**2:30-3:00 p.m. Break**

**3:00-4:30 p.m. Breakout Sessions 3**

**Paradise Valley 3A: State Funding and Support for Suicide Prevention: A variety of approaches** - Brian Altman, SPAN USA; Alan Holmlund, Massachusetts; Sandra Black, California Office of Suicide Prevention; *Moderator: Anara Guard, SPRC*

**Deer Valley 3B: Partnership and Coalition Building: Forging sustainable partnerships for suicide prevention** - Trina Evans Williams, Louisiana; Chandra Story, Idaho; Dustin Keller, Tennessee; *Moderators: Petrice Post and Nella Mupier, SPRC*

**Encanto A 3C: Reflection on Cross-site Evaluation Process: A conversation between continuing grantees and Macro** - Chad Rodi, Macro International; *Moderator: Gayle Jaffe, SPRC*

**Encanto B 3D: Addressing System Barriers in Working with Diverse Groups: Deaf/hard of hearing youth, the military, and juvenile court settings** - Shel Gross, Wisconsin; Ken Norton, New Hampshire; Shellie Moskos, Utah; *Moderator: Elana Premack Sandler, SPRC*

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## **TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2009**

**7:30-8:30 a.m. Registration and Breakfast [3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Pre Function]**

### **SCHOOL-BASED Track**

*The School-Based Track will bring together learning from grantees about the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and challenges of school-based suicide prevention. Grantees will divide into work groups to address a number of questions relevant to the topic areas described below. For grantees who are doing work in schools, it is strongly recommended that the grantee Project Director, Evaluator and someone who is implementing the school-based programming participate in this track. Other participants may choose to participate in the Public Health Track (see sessions 6, 7, 8 and 9 below). Grantees are encouraged to divide their team among breakout sessions and tracks to get the most out of the meeting.*

**8:30-9:45 a.m. Plenary [Phoenix D]**

**Welcome** - Richard McKeon, PhD, Public Health Advisor, SAMHSA

**Overview of School-Based Suicide Prevention - Current Practices & Challenges** - Madelyn Gould, PhD, MPH, Columbia University

**Cross-site Evaluation Findings re: School-Based Prevention** - Chad Rodi, PhD, Macro International

**Findings from the Adolescents at Risk Program** – Peter Wyman, PhD, University of Rochester, Cobb County AAR

**Charge to Workgroups** - Richard McKeon, PhD, Public Health Advisor, SAMHSA

**9:45-10:15 a.m. Break**

**10:15-11:45 a.m. Workgroup Sessions 4 - Focus on Content**

**Valley A**      **4A: School-Based Awareness and Gatekeeper Trainings** - Kathleen Jones, Macro International; Donna Noonan, Oregon; Norma Rey Vasquez de Houdek, New Mexico; *Moderator: Elana Premack Sandler, SPRC*

**Valley B**      **4B: Screening for Depression and Suicide Risk** - Paul Granello, Ohio; Susan Scott, Tulsa AAR; Dale Chell and Cathy Beck-Cross, Iowa; *Moderator: Gayle Jaffe, SPRC*

**Valley B**      **4C: School Programs for Students at Risk and Suicide Prevention Curricula (Selective approaches)** - Isaac Martinez, Texas; Cheryl DiCara and Christine Canty Brooks, Maine; *Moderator: Peggy West, SPRC*

**Valley E**      **4D: Parental Consent and Engaging Families** - Debra Copeland, Ohio; Jeff Inman, Cobb County AAR; Jill Glassman, San Francisco AAR; *Moderator: Anara Guard, SPRC*

**11:45-12:45 p.m. All State and Tribal Grantees Lunch**

**Phoenix D**      **Plenary: Suicide Postvention: A sharing of healing and hope.** Iris Bolton, M.A., Director Emeritus, The Link Counseling Center

**12:45-1:00 p.m. Break**

**1:00-2:15 p.m. Workgroup Sessions 5 - Focus on Process**

**Valley D**      **5A: Getting School Buy-In and Participation** – Andrea Davis, Berrien County AAR; Norma Rey Vasquez de Houdek, New Mexico; *Moderator: Gayle Jaffe, SPRC*

**Valley A**      **5B: Integration of Suicide Prevention with Other Prevention, Health and Mental Health Programs in Schools** - Lygia Williams, Tennessee; Glenn Saxe, Mary Kate Little, Boston AAR; *Moderator: Peggy West, SPRC*

**Valley E**      **5C: Coordination with Other Prevention and Community Programs** - Jeff Inman, Cobb County AAR; Christine Canty Brooks, Maine; *Moderator: Effie Malley, SPRC*

**Valley B**      **5D: Sustainability and Institutionalizing Programs** - Dustin Keller, Tennessee; Trina Evans Williams, Louisiana; Lem Melles-Watts, Eileen Mays-Voss, Temple University AAR; *Moderator: Wendy Cyprien, SPRC*

**2:15-2:30 p.m. Break**

**2:30-3:45 p.m. Results and Wrap-up**

**Phoenix D**      Respondents: Richard McKeon, PhD, Public Health Advisor, SAMHSA; Madelyn Gould, PhD, MPH, Columbia University  
*Moderator: David Litts, O.D., Director of Science and Policy, SPRC*

**3:45-4:00 p.m. Break**

**4:00-5:00 p.m. All State and Tribal Participants Reconvene [Phoenix D]**

**Phoenix D**      **Guided Grantee Team Planning: Action Steps for Your Return Home -**  
*Moderator: Jerry Reed, PhD, MSW, SPRC*

**5:00-6:00 p.m.**    **GPO Meet and Greet:** A chance to meet your government project officer

### **Tuesday PUBLIC HEALTH Track**

*The Public Health Track breakout sessions are organized around the four components of the public health approach. Sessions will allow participants to learn from grantees and experts in the field, and will provide tools, tips, and handouts to support practical implementation in the field. These sessions are open to all State and Tribal grantee participants who have chosen not to participate in the School-Based Track (see plenary and sessions 4 and 5 above). Grantees who have brought multiple participants are encouraged to divide their team between breakout sessions and tracks to get the most out of the meeting.*

**8:30-9:45 a.m.**    **Breakout Sessions 6: *Define the Problem***

**Paradise Valley**    **6A: The National Violent Death Reporting System: What have we learned? Implications for suicide prevention program development and implementation** - LaVonne Ortega, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Rechelle Paranal, South Carolina; Jeremy Martinez, Colorado; *Moderator: Nella Mupier, SPRC*

**Deer Valley**      **6B: Identifying Risk and Protective Factors - Implications for prevention. What factors can we change and how can those be identified?** - Juliette Mackin, NARA Northwest; Caroline Cruz, Oregon Tribal and Minority Liaison; Ken Norton, New Hampshire; Shellie Moskos, Utah; *Moderator: Effie Malley, SPRC*

**Encanto A**        **6C: Accessing and Using State and Local Data** - Deb Stone, Harvard Injury Control Research Center; Amy Schlotthauer, Wisconsin; Jarrod Hindman, Colorado; *Moderators: Katie Wootten, Elly Stout, SPRC*

**9:45-10:15 a.m.**    **Break**

**10:15-11:45 a.m.** **Breakout Sessions 7 - *Develop Programs***

**Encanto B**        **7A: Selecting and Adapting Best Practices for Suicide Prevention: The SPRC/AFSP Best Practices Registry** – Linda Langford, SPRC; Phil Rodgers, AFSP

- Maryvale A**      **7B: Beyond Gatekeeper Training: Involving the community in suicide prevention** - Ken Norton, New Hampshire; Janet Kittams-Lalley, South Dakota; *Moderators: Petrice Post, Wendy Cyprien, SPRC*
- Encanto A**      **7C: Making Awareness Campaigns Strategic: From planning to evaluation** - Kris Jones, Mississippi; Jan Ulrich, Kentucky; Trina Evans Williams, Louisiana; *Moderator: Elly Stout, SPRC*
- Deer Valley**      **7D: States Working with Tribes: Challenges and successes** - Deborah Henderson, Montana and Donnie Wetzel, Jr., Montana-Wyoming Tribal Leaders Council; Jason Yarmer, NARA Northwest and Caroline Cruz, Oregon; Lisa Shumaker, Arizona; *Moderator: Ger RainingBird, SPRC*
- Paradise Valley** **7E: Involving Youth: Developing youth capacity for suicide prevention** - George Provost, Maniilaq Association; Mark LoMurray, North Dakota; Stephanie Iron Shooter, Montana-Wyoming Tribal Leaders Council; *Moderator: Nella Mupier, SPRC*
- 11:45-12:45 p.m. All State and Tribal Grantees Lunch**
- Phoenix D**      **Plenary: Suicide Postvention: A sharing of healing and hope.** Iris Bolton, M.A., Director Emeritus, The Link Counseling Center
- 12:45-1:00 p.m. Break**
- 1:00-2:15 p.m. Breakout Sessions 8: Implement Programs**
- Paradise Valley** **8A: Working with Emergency Departments: New tools and grantee models** - Patrick Cook, Communication Resource Center; WyAngela Knight Singh, Oklahoma; John Walkup, Novalene Goklish and Mary Cwik, White Mountain Apache/JHU; David Litts, SPRC ; *Moderator: David Litts, SPRC*
- Encanto B**      **8B: Responding to Suicide: Crisis response and postvention** - Dan Foster, Rosebud Sioux Tribe; Franklin Cook, South Dakota; Ken Norton, New Hampshire; *Moderator: Katie Wootten, SPRC*
- Deer Valley**      **8C: Maximizing Protective Factors for American Indian Youth** - Julie Jiminez, Andy Miritello, Waylon Pahona, Gila River; Elizabeth Corella, Tohono O’odham Nation; *Moderators: Ger RainingBird and Petrice Post, SPRC*

- Encanto A**      **8D: Using New Technologies for Program Implementation: Strategies from grantees for connecting with others and conveying prevention messages -** Amanda Lehner, National Suicide Prevention Lifeline; Brian Altman, SPAN USA; Beth Hudnall Stamm, Idaho; *Moderator: Elly Stout, SPRC*
- Maryvale A**      **8E: Responding to Veterans and Their Families: Grantee Experiences and VA Initiatives -** David Klein, Phoenix VA Medical Center; Donna Noonan, Oregon; Isaac Martinez, Texas; *Moderator: Eileen Zeller, SAMHSA*
- 2:15-2:30 p.m.**      **Break**
- 2:30-3:45 p.m.**      **Breakout Sessions 9: *Evaluate***
- Deer Valley**      **9A: Tell Your Story Well: Merging evaluation and communication for sustainability (repeat) -** Adrienne Dealy, Communication Resource Center; *Moderator: Katie Wootten, SPRC*
- Encanto A**      **9B: Using Evaluation Techniques to Inform Program Development and Implementation -** Amy Schlotthauer, Wisconsin; James Schut, Tennessee; Elizabeth Sale, Missouri; Deb Stone, Harvard Injury Control Research Center ; *Moderator: Elana Premack Sandler, SPRC*
- Encanto B**      **9C: Community Based Participatory Research: What is it and how has it contributed to grantee suicide prevention work? -** Mary Cwik, Novalene Goklish, John Walkup, Lauren Tingey, White Mountain Apache/JHU; *Moderator: Effie Malley, SPRC*
- Paradise Valley**      **9D: Research to Practice: How to connect practitioners to the science of suicide prevention -** Alex Crosby, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; *Moderator: Wendy Cyprien, SPRC*
- 3:45-4:00 p.m.**      **Break**
- 4:00-5:00 p.m.**      **All State and Tribal Participants Reconvene**
- Phoenix D**      **Guided Grantee Team Planning: Action Steps for Your Return Home -** *Moderator: Jerry Reed, PhD, MSW, SPRC*
- 5:00-6:00 p.m.**      **GPO Meet and Greet: A chance to meet your government project officer**



## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2009

### State/Tribal/Campus Suicide Prevention Grantee Technical Assistance Meeting *Creating Communities of Hope*

#### All Grantees: Campus, State, Tribal and Adolescents at Risk

- 7:30-8:30 a.m.**      **Registration and Breakfast**  
Phoenix D/E
- 8:30-10:00 a.m.**      **Plenary: A theme of hope**  
*Moderator: Jerry Reed, PhD, MSW, SPRC*  
**Welcome TBD**  
**Video welcome:** Senator Gordon Smith and Sharon Smith  
**Remarks:** Major General Mark Graham and Carol Graham  
**Remarks:** Captain Maria Dinger, RN, BSN, MS, Branch Chief, Suicide Prevention Branch, SAMHSA  
**Charge** to regional breakout groups
- 10:00-11:00 a.m.**      **Breakout Groups**  
State, tribal and campus grantees from contiguous states meet together.
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| <b>Group 1</b> – CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, VT         | <b>Valley A</b>        |
| <b>Group 2</b> – NJ, NY, PR, VI                 | <b>Valley B</b>        |
| <b>Group 3</b> – DC, DE, MD, PA, VA, WV         | <b>Valley D</b>        |
| <b>Group 4</b> – AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN | <b>Valley E</b>        |
| <b>Group 5</b> – IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, WI         | <b>Maryvale A</b>      |
| <b>Group 6</b> – AR, LA, NM, OK, TX             | <b>Maryvale B</b>      |
| <b>Group 7</b> – IA, KS, MO, MT, NE             | <b>Encanto A</b>       |
| <b>Group 8</b> – CO, ND, SD, UT, WY             | <b>Encanto B</b>       |
| <b>Group 9</b> – AZ, CA, GU, HI, NV             | <b>Deer Valley</b>     |
| <b>Group 10</b> – AK, ID, OR, WA                | <b>Paradise Valley</b> |
- 11:00-11:15 a.m.**      **Break**
- 11:15-12:00 p.m.**      **Report out from groups [Phoenix D/E]**
- 12:00-1:00 p.m.**      **Lunch [Phoenix D/E]**  
**Plenary** - Jerry Reed, PhD, MSW, Director, SPRC  
**Closing Remarks** - Richard McKeon, PhD, Public Health Advisor, SAMHSA  
*State Grantees – Farewell*

**1:00-2:15 p.m.**      **NATIVE ASPIRATIONS:** Insights into the community engagement process. Native Aspirations Community Coordinators will share community success stories and challenges, and explain how differing tribal structures impact community engagement.

**2:15-3:00 p.m.**      **Recovery and Mental Health Care in Indian Country: Sharing the Possibilities:** Kenneth Thompson, SAMHSA

Mental health practice is changing and seeks a recovery path in support each person and community being served. A recovery view includes attitudes, knowledge and skills among mental health care providers. This session will focus on the cultural strengths of Indian Country and challenges.

**Tribal Suicide Prevention Grantee  
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**THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2009**

*This day is intended for tribal grantees and invited speakers*

**7:30-8:30 a.m.**      **Registration and Breakfast [3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Pre Function]**

**8:30-9:00 a.m.**      **Opening Prayer; Welcome from Arizona Tribal Grantees TBD**  
**Phoenix D**

Theodore Roosevelt Boarding School Indian Club Crown Dancers

**9:00-10:15 a.m.**      **Plenary**  
**Phoenix D**

**SAMHSA Welcome** Capt. Maria Dinger, RN, BSN, MS, Branch Chief, Suicide Prevention Branch, SAMHSA

**SPRC Welcome** Jerry Reed, PhD, MSW, Director, SPRC

**Grantee Introductions & Icebreaker**  
**Overview of the day**      Ger RainingBird and Elly Stout, SPRC

**10:15-10:30 a.m. Break**

**10:30-11:45 a.m. Roundtables with Continuing Tribal Grantees – [Phoenix D]**

Jason Yarmer, NARA Northwest;  
Mary Cwik, White Mountain Apache/JHU;  
Jane Latane, Tohono O'odham;  
George Provost, Maniilaq Association;  
Donnie Wetzel, Jr., Montana-Wyoming Tribal Leaders Council;  
Monique Smith, United American Indian Involvement;  
Wayland Bad Hand, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe

**11:45-12:00 p.m. Break**

**12:00-12:45 p.m. Lunch Roundtables**

**Phoenix E Roundtable I: Promoting Protective Factors in Tribal Communities.**

*Moderator: Effie Malley, SPRC*

**Roundtable II: Evidence-based Programs and Best Practices: Using and adapting "what works".** *Moderator: Petrice Post, SPRC*

**Roundtable III: Native Aspirations: Background and new directions.** Ila

McKay and Denise Middlebrook, Kauffman & Associates, Inc. *Moderator: Wendy Cyprien, SPRC*

**Roundtable IV: Beyond Mental Health Services: Identifying and developing existing community resources.** *Moderator: Gayle Jaffe, SPRC*

**Roundtable V: Building Partnerships for Success -** Donnie Wetzel, Jr., Montana-Wyoming Tribal Leaders Council; IHS representatives; *Moderator: Ger RainingBird, SPRC*

**Roundtable VI: The Challenges of Crisis Lines -** Marilyn Zimmerman, National Suicide Prevention Lifeline; *Moderator: Elly Stout, SPRC*

**12:45-1:00 p.m. Break**

**1:00-2:15 p.m. Breakout Sessions 10**

**Valley A 10A: Building and Strengthening Partnerships with IHS -** Rose Weahkee, Indian Health Service; Dave MacIntyre and Linda Westover, IHS Phoenix Office; Mary Cwik and Novalene Goklish, White Mountain Apache/JHU; Wayland Bad Hand, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe; *Moderator: Petrice Post, SPRC*

- Valley B**      **10B: Data Collection in Tribal Settings: Challenges and successes** – Shannon Crossbear, Candace Fleming and Kathleen Jones, Macro International; Juliette Mackin, NARA Northwest; Joe Walker, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe; *Moderator: Wendy Cyprien, SPRC*
- Valley D**      **10C: Healers, Helpers and Mentors: Holistic approaches to prevention** - Jason Yarmer and Dean Azule, NARA Northwest, Caroline Cruz, Oregon Tribal and Minority Liaison; *Moderator: Ger RainingBird, SPRC*
- Valley E**      **10D: Creative approaches to building youth confidence and leadership** - George Provost, Maniilaq Association; Donnie Wetzel, Jr. and Stephanie Iron Shooter, Montana-Wyoming Tribal Leaders Council; *Moderator: Gayle Jaffe, SPRC*
- Phoenix D**      **10E: Tools and Resources for Suicide Prevention in Tribal Settings - Native Aspirations program tools and Suicide Prevention Resource Guide** – Yvette Joseph, Denise Middlebrook and Ila McKay, Kauffman & Associates, Inc.
- 2:15-2:30 p.m.**      **Break**
- 2:30-3:45 p.m.**      **Continuing Grantee Panel Discussion**
- Phoenix D**      **Adapting Mainstream Gatekeeper Training Models: Challenges and strategies** – Jane Latane, Tohono O'odham Nation; Donnie Wetzel, Jr., Montana-Wyoming Tribal Leaders Council; Jason Yarmer, NARA Northwest; Wayland Bad Hand, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe
- 3:45-4:30 p.m.**      **Conclusion: Reflections and Building Connections**
- 4:30-4:45 p.m.**      **Closing Prayer** - Tohono O'odham Nation
- 4:45-5:30 p.m.**      **GPO Meet and Greet:** A chance to meet with your government project officer