



Supporting Workplaces After a Suicide Loss: Building a Postvention Plan Course Information Document

Target Audience: Peers, friends, family, and clinical providers

Instructional Level: Introductory

Course Description: Suicide postvention, the organized response that occurs after a suicide loss, is an essential element of a comprehensive suicide prevention approach and an important aspect of workplace plans. Workplaces may be significantly impacted by suicide after the death of an employee, client, vendor, or family member of an employee. Taking steps to prepare for a suicide loss will ensure that your workplace is equipped to respond quickly after a suicide loss, allowing individual employees and the organization as a whole to come together in healing. Recommendations and resources to assist workplaces in developing and/or enhancing suicide postvention practices will be offered.

This workshop is designed for peers, friends, family, and clinical providers to learn and enhance their knowledge about building a postvention plan on an organizational level. This course provides practical tools and tips for facilitating discussions that promote the development of an actionable plan to include resources to support employees in the event of a suicide death.

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this course, participants will be able to:

1. Describe the importance of building a postvention plan before experiencing a suicide event
2. Identify potential strategies to design an actionable organizational plan for responding to a suicide event including resources to provide to employees

Date: Wednesday, January 20, 2027

Time: 10:30 AM – 1:00 PM CT

11:30 AM – 2:00 PM ET

9:30 AM – 12:00 PM MT

8:30 AM – 11:00 AM PT

Duration: 2.5-hour workshop (2.5 CEs available)

Where: Zoom

Training Cost: No Fee

Meet the Presenters

Christie Machan, LCSW



Christie Machan, LCSW is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker with the Rocky Mountain MIRECC for Veteran Suicide Prevention. She is a Suicide Risk Management Consultation Program (SRM) national postvention consultant. Ms. Machan clinical interests include supporting Veterans, their loved ones and their health care providers psychological well-being in the context of suicide.

Christie Machan, LCSW has no conflicts of interest to disclose.

Megan Harvey, PhD



Megan Harvey, PhD is a psychologist with the Rocky Mountain MIRECC for Veteran Suicide Prevention. She is a member of the Suicide Risk Management Consultation Program, providing postvention services and leading program evaluation efforts. She is on the technical assistance team for the national Suicide Risk Identification Strategy and was a consultant for the Advanced Training in the Safety Planning Intervention (ASPI). Dr. Harvey's interests include evidence-based interventions that promote recovery and mitigate suicide risk.

Megan Harvey, PhD has no conflicts of interest to disclose.

Special Accommodations

If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact the STRONG STAR Training Initiative at admin@strongstartraining.org one week prior to the workshop so that we may provide you with appropriate service.

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Cancellations

There is no fee for this training, so no refund applies. Cancellation is not required.

For additional information, please contact the STRONG STAR Training Initiative at: admin@strongstartraining.org.

Agenda

Please note this agenda is in the **Central Time Zone**

Time	Session
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM	Welcome, Introductions, and Understanding Suicide Postvention
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Why Organizations Need a Postvention Plan Before a Suicide Event
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Building an Actionable Organizational Postvention Plan
12:00 PM – 12:30 PM	Resources and Employee Support Strategies
12:30 PM – 1:00 PM	Closing and Q&A