

# Train-The-Trainer

## Suicide Postvention Training



Connect postvention training (reducing risk and promoting healing after a suicide) is a designated National Best Practice program. In addition to information and Best Practices that are applicable “across systems”, the sponsoring entity selects two disciplines for specific protocols, (e.g. colleges and universities, education, emergency departments, faith leaders, funeral directors, law enforcement, medical examiner/coroner, mental health and substance abuse, military, primary care providers, and social services). A fourth day can be added for training in three additional disciplines from the above list.

### Suicide Postvention training highlights:

- Training in and familiarity with the Connect training curriculum, including Connect Best Practice protocols and materials
- Guidance and preparation for conducting a Connect training
- Capability to role model a sensitive, safe and open approach to the subject of suicide
- Skills to implement the training while maintaining fidelity to National Best Practice Connect material
- Feedback on presentation and fidelity to material to increase comfort level with presenting
- Certification as a Connect Trainer

### Participants will be provided copies of all training materials including the following:

Trainer’s Manual – A general overview of the Connect program, as well as information on each training module and sample forms used.

Protocols - Trainers will receive Connect protocols for each service discipline trained in. The training encourages using the protocols during and after the training.

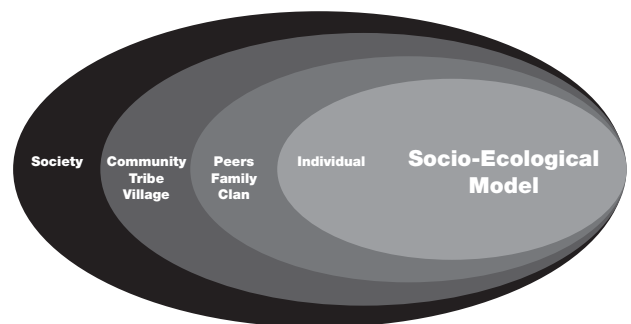
Power Point - A page-by-page guide of the entire power point presentation. Each page contains an image of a slide used in the presentation, with training notes beneath the slide. The training notes indicate what to say when presenting a particular slide and introduces relevant information and descriptions of activities.

**Length:** 3 Days for postvention

**Audience:** Professionals who are involved in responding to a suicide death. It is strongly recommended that individuals have experience as trainers and prior training in suicide prevention/intervention.

**Location:** your community

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*Using a holistic, socio-ecological model, Connect examines suicide in the context of the individual, family, community, and society.*