

**Assessing and Managing Suicide Risk (AMSR):
Core Competencies for Mental Health Professionals**

DATE & TIME:

November 4 & 5, 2026

8:45AM – 12:00PM

*Sign-in begins 15 minutes prior to the training time. All participants must arrive during the sign-in period. Late arrivals will not be admitted. **Attendance on both days is mandatory to receive training credit.***

*This is an interactive **camera on** virtual training, & each participant is required to **pick up a training manual at 510 S. Vermont. Proceeding to register confirms you understand and will adhere to the training requirements** so we may schedule you for an appointment to pick up your training materials prior to the training date. **Materials pick up is by appointment only.***

PLACE: Web Broadcast – Microsoft Teams

REGISTRATION: <https://eventshub.dmh.lacounty.gov/Events/Trainings/Detail/13928>

DESCRIPTION: Assessing and Managing Suicide Risk (AMSR) is a knowledge-based training that covers 24 competencies required for effective clinical assessment and management of individuals at risk for suicide. The 24 AMSR Core Competencies are based on current empirical evidence and expertise from clinical and research experts in assessment and management of suicide. Application of these competencies is addressed including assessment, risk evaluation, treatment strategies and after care. This training will help clinical staff ask specifically about suicide and promote interventions which are appropriate and effective. Lastly, cultural relevant factors will be reviewed for consideration when addressing suicide risks.

TARGET AUDIENCE: DMH and Contract Providers who provide housing services & could be involved in supporting an individual at risk of suicide

OBJECTIVES: As a result of attending this training, participants should be able to:

1. Discuss ways to maintain an effective attitude and approach, collect accurate assessment information, formulate risk, develop a treatment and service plan, and management of care.
2. Name the 24 AMSR Core Competencies.
3. Identify effective ways to ask about suicide and intervene in the most appropriate and effective manner.
4. Describe strategies that promote willingness, confidence, and clarity of working with individuals at risk for suicide.
5. Examine cultural factors in suicide risk factors, how to ask if someone is contemplating suicide, and appropriate ways to intervene.
6. Demonstrate ways to conduct a qualitative risk assessment and identify common myths associated with suicide risk.
7. Identify interventions to manage individuals at risk for suicide.

**CONDUCTED
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DEADLINE:

When capacity is reached.

**CONTINUING
EDUCATION:**

**6.0 hours for BBS
6.0 CE for Psychologist
(Provided directly from The ZeroSuicide Institute)**

COST:

NONE