

Kennedy Krieger Institute

Suicidal Behaviors in People with Intellectual and/or Developmental Disabilities: Strategies for Success Care



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Date: Tuesday, June 29, 2021

Time: 9:00 am to 12:15 p.m.

Cost: Free but registration is required and space is limited

Where: Live Interactive Webinar

Registered participants will receive instructions on how to join the session.

Objectives: Participants will be able to:

1. Discuss what is known about suicide in the IDD population.
2. Discuss and address the false assumptions that limited cognitive abilities serve as a protective factor.
3. Recognize risk and protective factors and their existence on multiple levels, and why suicide prevention in the I/DD population involves everyone and should be targeted at all levels.
4. Discuss the need to routinely screen for suicidality in this population and available screening measures.
5. Apply practical strategies for successful care outcomes.

This training is sponsored by the Maryland Suicide Prevention and Early Intervention Network (MD-SPIN) in collaboration with the Maryland Center for Developmental Disabilities at Kennedy Krieger Institute. MD-SPIN is led by the Maryland Department of Health Behavioral Health Administration.

People with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities (I/DD) are at increased risk for undetected suicidal thoughts and behaviors and for developing suicidal thoughts and behaviors, which usually creates high anxiety for professionals, parents and caregivers caring and working with them. This training aims to increase professionals', parents' and caregivers' knowledge and skills to recognize risk and protective factors, warning signs, and suicidal behaviors in people with I/DD, and to facilitate early referral of those at risk for suicide.

Instructional Level: Intermediate

Who Should Attend? Counselors, Educators, Faith leaders, Parents and Caregivers, Psychologists, Social workers, Nurses, Clinical and Medical Staff, Direct Support Professionals and other Community Service Providers, Speech/Physical/Occupational therapists, Students and anyone in contact with people with I/DD.

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3.0 Continuing Education Hours

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