CALL-TO-ACTION: ADVOCACY AND EDUCATION RESOURCES AND COALITIONS FOR MENTAL HEALTH, SUBSTANCE USE, AND SUICIDE PREVENTION FOR BOULDER COUNTY AREA

Focuses on:

Mental health, seniors, teens, caregivers, Veterans, parents, people with disabilities	Boulder County Public Health This is a website through which you can find local community resources for teens, veterans, parents, seniors, caregivers, people with disabilities, and people looking for mental health resources. See <u>www.bouldercountyhelp.org</u>
Suicide prevention	Office of Suicide Prevention 303 692 2369 Lead entity for statewide suicide prevention and intervention efforts, collaborating with Colorado communities to reduce the number of suicide deaths and attempts in Colorado. See www.coosp.org.
school-based sesilience building skill building	Sources of Strength Evidence-based prevention programming for youth focusing on building resiliency, increasing connection to school and caring adults, as well as breaking down the code of silence. See <u>www.sourcesofstrength.org</u>
suicide prevention advocacy education outreach	Suicide Prevention Coalition of Colorado 720 383 7722 Statewide prevention non-profit focusing on advocacy, education, and outreach. Hosts monthly education sessions and an annual prevention conference. See www.suicidepreventioncolorado.org.
training education	Mental Health First Aid Training Full-day training teaches the signs of mental health challenges, how to act, and how to connect those in crisis with support systems. See <u>www.mhfaco.org</u> .
education advocacy action for faith groups	Interfaith Network on Mental Illness (INMI) INMI is a nationwide 501(c)3 non-profit organization based in Boulder, Colorado. It is an interfaith organization, meaning it represents and welcomes participation from all faith traditions, and it affirms that spirituality is an important component of recovery from mental illness. See <u>www.inmi.us</u> .
service organization addressing local and global issues	Boulder Rotary Club and Boulder Valley Rotary Club Rotary is a global network of 1.2 million volunteers united to create lasting, positive change across the globe, in our communities and in ourselves. Rotary is non-political and non-sectarian. There are Rotary clubs throughout Colorado, including Boulder, Niwot, Longmont and Broomfield and mental health is one of our local club focuses. See www.BoulderRotary.org, www.BoulderValleyRotary.Club and Rotarians for Mental Health (www.R4MH.org).
advocacy education legislation	Mental Health Colorado 1120 Lincoln St., Ste 1606, in Denver, 720 208 2220 "We're working every day to advance the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of mental health and substance use disorders. Will we succeed? That's up to you. Become an advocate. Share your story. Make a contribution. At Mental Health Colorado, our strength hinges on you." See www.mentalhealthcolorado.org.

suicide prevention depression awareness	Hope Coalition Local nonprofit supporting depression awareness and suicide prevention in Boulder County. See www.hopecoalitionboulder.org .
Mental Health First Aid trainings education training community engagement	 Supporting Action for Mental Health 303-651-8469 Supporting Action for Mental Health (SAM) is a movement of local community groups, organizations, faith communities, residents, and local government working together to explore how we all can raise awareness of and take action to address mental health needs in Longmont. See <u>http://bit.ly/supportingactionformentalhealth</u>
Suicide prevention training	SafeTalk SafeTalk trains anyone (age 15 through adult) to be more able to recognize and approach someone who might be having thoughts of suicide. Participants learn what to say, what to do, and how to connect the at-risk person with life-saving resources. See <u>www.livingworks.net/safeTALK</u> .
Suicide prevention Support for survivors of suicide loss	American Foundation for Suicide Prevention Resources, events, walks, awareness-raising, support are all available through the AFSP. See <u>www.afsp.org</u> .
advocacy awareness raising	BVCAN, Boulder Valley Community Action Network 1241 Ceres Drive in Lafayette, 303 665 4280 A social justice group at Boulder Unitarian Universalist Fellowship working on mental health access and awareness.
education advocacy support groups	NAMI Boulder County—National Alliance on Mental Illness 303.443.4591 NAMI provides FREE education and support to those with mental illness and their families. Please contact NAMI for current info about support groups as well as their free 12-week Family-to-Family course and 6-week Basics (for parents of children/teens). "NAMI is here to help. You are not alone." See <u>www.namibouldercounty.org</u> .



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