



Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Suicide Prevention

24 January 2023

31 January 2023

7 February 2023

14 February 2023

A Live, Interactive Webinar

Description:

This intensive four-day module provides training in the assessment and treatment of suicidal ideation and behavior. Participants will receive in-depth training in cognitive-behavioral therapy for suicide prevention and will have the opportunity to practice assessment and intervention strategies. Video demonstrations and participant role-plays will be used in class to practice key assessment and treatment techniques. The module lays the foundation for working with suicidal patients by providing a detailed review of the epidemiology of suicide both in the civilian population and within the military/Veteran community. Participants will be introduced to the Self-Directed Violence Classification System (SDVCS), a nomenclature supported by the DoD/VA for self-directed violence and suicidal behavior. In addition, a review of several theories of suicide will be covered, as well as risk and protective factors for suicidal behavior. The module is designed for behavioral health providers working with Service members and Veterans who are seeking in-depth training in empirically supported treatment options they can immediately incorporate into their clinical practice. The training will provide hands-on practice activities and is geared toward an actively involved audience through discussion and in workshop activities. Participants must attend ALL FOUR days, as the course material is cumulative.

Total CE Credits: 14.0

Total Contact Hours: 14.0

Learning Objectives:

Following the training, attendees will be able to:

1. Differentiate between rates of suicide in civilian and military populations and identify the clinical implications of these differences.
2. Categorize suicidal and non-suicidal thoughts and behaviors in relation to clinical assessment.



3. Apply at least one psychological theory of suicide to the process of clinical assessment and treatment planning.
4. Integrate suicide risk and protective factors unique to military populations into overall risk assessment for suicide.
5. Develop a safety plan in collaboration with a patient.
6. Use means safety counseling in patient interactions to improve clinical outcomes.
7. Create a timeline of a patient's suicidal crisis for use in treatment.
8. Evaluate key negative thoughts associated with the intent to die by suicide as related to clinical practice.
9. Apply CBT formulation of suicide using the expanded case conceptualization model of the suicidal crisis.
10. Use cognitive, behavioral, and affective coping strategies associated with CBT-SP to help patients cope with suicide urges.
11. Modify standard behavioral activation practices to be applied within the CBT-SP protocol.
12. Use the guided imagery exercise as part of the relapse prevention protocol for CBT-SP.

Target Audience: For behavioral health providers who treat military personnel, veterans, and their families. Specifically, this workshop is for Active Duty, GS-DoD, and contractor-DoD behavioral health providers who provide conventional psychotherapy to Service members at a military facility (working directly for the military and having a .mil email address, or one pending). Nurses and nurse practitioners are also welcome as long as they meet these requirements.

Instructional Content Level: Intermediate

Agenda:

SESSION #1

Overview and Epidemiology of Suicide	7:00 AM	7:40 AM
Nomenclature & Vignettes	7:40 AM	8:30 AM
Theoretical Underpinnings:		
Interpersonal Psychological Theory of Suicide Risk – Dr. Thomas Joiner	8:30 AM	9:00 AM
Three Step Theory of Suicide – Drs. David Klonsky and Alexis May		
BREAK	9:00 AM	9:30 AM
CBT Theory	9:30 AM	9:45 AM
Intro to Cognitive Therapy for Suicide Prevention:		
Empirical Support		
Structure of Treatment	9:45 AM	10:15 AM
Session Structure		
Early Phase of Treatment	10:15 AM	10:50 AM
Wrap-up	10:50 AM	11:00 AM

SESSION #2



Review/Questions from Session 1	7:00 AM	7:10 AM
Risk and Protective Factors	7:10 AM	7:40 AM
Theoretical Underpinnings: Fluid Vulnerability Theory of Suicide – David Rudd	7:40 AM	8:00 AM
Cognitive Therapy for Suicide Prevention, Early Phase of Treatment – Conducting a Suicide Risk Assessment	8:00 AM	8:35 AM
Cognitive Therapy for Suicide Prevention, Early Phase of Treatment – Suicide Risk Continuum	8:35 AM	8:45 AM
BREAK	8:45 AM	9:15 AM
Suicide Risk Assessment Role Play	9:15 AM	9:55 AM
Narrative Description	9:55 AM	10:20 AM
Constructing a Timeline of the Suicidal Crisis	10:20 AM	10:50 AM
Wrap-up	10:50 AM	11:00 AM

SESSION #3

Review/Questions from Session 2	7:00 AM	7:10 AM
Crisis Intervention: Safety Planning, Crisis Response Plan and Hope Box	7:10 AM	7:50 AM
Means Safety Counseling	7:50 AM	8:50 AM
BREAK	8:50 AM	9:20 AM
Means Safety Counseling Role Play	9:20 AM	9:55 AM
Cognitive Case Conceptualization and Treatment Planning	9:55 AM	10:50 AM
Wrap-up	10:50 AM	11:00 AM

SESSION #4

Review/Questions from Session 3	7:00 AM	7:10 AM
Intermediate Phase of Treatment Behavioral Strategies Coping Strategies Cognitive Strategies	7:10 AM	8:50 AM
BREAK	8:50 AM	9:20 AM
Later Phase of Treatment Review and Consolidation of Skills Relapse Prevention Relapse Prevention Role Play Review of Goals and Treatment Planning	9:20 AM	10:50 AM
Wrap-up	10:50 AM	11:00 AM

Continuing Education:



Course Completion Requirements: Participants are required to attend the entire training. Partial credits cannot be issued. Attendance is taken through the use of electronic logs, and a post-training evaluation form must be completed in order to receive social work CE credits. For psychology CE credits, completion of the evaluation is strongly encouraged, but if you are seeking New York State Education Department psychology credit hours then you are required to complete an evaluation. If you do not wish to complete the evaluation but desire to receive non- New York State Education Department psychology CEs, please contact the POC after the training event.

There is a 30-day time limit post-training to complete all CE requirements. CE Credit Certificates will be emailed within 30 days after all course requirements have been completed.

American Psychological Association Sponsor Approval:

The Center for Deployment Psychology is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. The Center for Deployment Psychology maintains responsibility for this program and its content.

Association of Social Work Boards Approved Continuing Education Provider Approval:

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New York State Education Department's State Board for Psychology Provider Approval:

The Center for Deployment Psychology is recognized by the New York State Education Department's State Board for Psychology as an approved provider of continuing education for licensed psychologists (#PSY-0178).

Inquiries regarding CE credits may be directed via email to Katie Medina at katie.medina.ctr@usuhs.edu.

Participate:

Online Platform: Zoom

Date: 24 January 2023, 31 January 2023, 7 February 2023, 14 February 2023

Time: 7:00 am – 11:00 am Eastern

Registration Information: <https://deploymentpsych.org/training>

Registration Deadline: One week prior to training start or when registration reaches capacity

Cancellations/Questions: Please contact katie.medina.ctr@usuhs.edu if you have any questions or need to cancel your registration.

Registration Cost/Refunds: Free



Required Materials: None

Location Information: Online via Zoom

Instructional Format: This live webinar is fully interactive. Attendees may ask and answer questions throughout the presentation and participate in instructor-led discussions.

System Requirements:

Zoom:

- Internet connection
- Operating System: Windows 7 or higher, Mac OS X with MacOS 10.9 or higher
- Web Browser: Internet Explorer 11+, Edge 12+, Firefox 27+, Chrome 30+, Safari 7+
- Hardware: 1Ghz processor or higher

Special Accommodations: If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Katie Medina at katie.medina.ctr@usuhs.edu 4 weeks prior to the training so that we may provide you with appropriate service.

Grievances: For any grievances or concerns with this training including those related to course content, non-receipt of certificate or other occurrences, participants may contact CDP's Continuing Education Director, Ms. Amanda Milochik, via email at Amanda.milochik.ctr@usuhs.edu.

Instructor Biographies:

Lisa French, Psy.D., is a Senior Military Behavioral Health Psychologist at the Center for Deployment Psychology (CDP) at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Maryland. Dr. French is a suicide prevention subject matter expert and trainer who joined the CDP in 2011 as a deployment behavioral health psychologist at Wilford Hall Ambulatory Surgical Center following active duty service in the United States Air Force (USAF). During her time at CDP, she has served in multiple roles. Currently Dr. French is a military spouse residing in Germany and is a Parakar employee collaborating with the Henry M. Jackson Foundation in support of the CDP.

Dr. French received her bachelor's degree in psychology from Oregon State University and her master's and doctorate degrees in clinical psychology from Pacific University in Forest Grove, Oregon. She is a 2003 graduate of the Wright-Patterson USAF Medical Center Psychology Residency Program. Dr. French served as an active duty USAF psychologist from 2002-2011 and deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in 2006.

As a military spouse, Dr. French continues to experience military life daily and has first-hand understanding of the demands of military service on the family. Her professional interests include dissemination and implementation of evidence-based treatment approaches, the impact of military life on the family, and suicide prevention and treatment.

April Thompson, LCSW, is the Assistant Director of Special Projects for the Center for Deployment Psychology (CDP) at the Uniformed Services University in Bethesda, Maryland. In that capacity, she is responsible for coordinating with stakeholders across the Department of Defense to develop trainings in response to identified needs. Prior to joining CDP, she worked for the Office



of Secretary of Defense within the Military Community and Family Policy component leading the Department's training efforts on prevention and response to domestic abuse and child abuse. Ms. Thompson received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Pepperdine University and her Master of Social Work degree from University of Pennsylvania. For over 20 years, she has specialized in work with military members and their families. As both a military spouse and clinical social worker, Ms. Thompson is deeply committed to ensuring military service members and their families receive evidence-based, high quality behavioral health care. She has provided services to Army, Navy and Marine Corps families on installations within the US and overseas. Her professional expertise focuses on military culture, suicide prevention, couples and family therapy, and prevention of intimate partner violence and child abuse.

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