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## Covid-19 And Suicide Prevention Webinar

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Dear Providers,

As Centene continues our collaboration with the Association of Clinicians for the Underserved (ACU), we have another opportunity to share with you. Centene will be hosting a virtual suicide prevention training **at no cost**. This training opportunity is focused on the impact COVID-19 has had on suicide rates. The details and link to register are below.

### COVID-19 & Suicide Prevention: Unique Considerations and the Need for Increased Awareness

Thursday, November 18, 2021 1 p.m. ET

<https://clinicians.webex.com/clinicians/onstage/g.php?MTID=e118a00626e0c3887ae886e570e9e5971>

The COVID-19 pandemic has significantly impacted numerous social determinants of health, from individuals' income and job security to their access to primary and behavioral healthcare. These stressful life events consistently identify as risk factors for suicide, and the uncertainty of the pandemic is exacerbating mental health symptoms associated with suicide risk. It is crucial for frontline providers of all disciplines to understand the increased risk of suicide during and after the pandemic and *how to effectively identify and intervene with patients at risk of suicide in both in-person and telehealth visits.*

The Association of Clinicians for the Underserved has developed a new [fact sheet](#) addressing this topic, and this accompanying webinar will outline this and other resources to help providers and staff at health centers and other facilities understand COVID-19's impact on suicide prevention, detail essential steps for identifying patients at risk for suicide, assessing risk, and responding with evidenced-based interventions, and share unique considerations in providing care to patients at risk for suicide via telehealth.

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**Learning objectives:**

1. Detail COVID-19's impact on social determinants of health and suicidality, and why providers and staff at health centers and other facilities can play important roles in prevention.
2. Share practical steps to address suicide risk in patients during the COVID-19 pandemic.
3. Describe unique considerations in providing care to patients at risk for suicide via telemedicine.

**Presenters:**

- Dr. Virna Little, PSyD, LCSW-r, SAP, CCM, Chief Operating Officer and Co-Founder of Concert Health, Co-Founder of Zero Overdose
- Dr. Bart Andrews, PhD, Vice President of Clinical Practice and Evaluation of Behavioral Health Response, Faculty Member of Zero Suicide Institute

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