Because even one death by suicide is one too many for a condition that can be prevented

During September, Suicide Prevention Month, find the tools and resources below to increase awareness — you could help save a life.

**Provisional estimates in the United States 2022 per the Centers for Disease Control



In 2021:

12.3 million adults seriously thought about suicide

- 3.5 million adults made a plan
- 1.7 million adults attempted suicide

In 2022:

49,449 people died by suicide in the United States.

That is 1 death every 11 minutes

Lives at risk

- 35 percent1— over two decades, suicide in the U.S. has increased.
- 30 years² national suicide rate in the U.S. is at it's highest.
- 10 and 34 years of age4— suicide is the second leading cause of death.
- 18-24 years of age⁵ 25 percent contemplated suicide amid pandemic stress.
- One in five high school students considered suicide over a 12 month period.

**Older adult suicide rates increased 8%.

We can all work together to save lives. You can make all the difference for someone. Opportunities to make a difference:

TALK SAVES LIVES TRAINING

Complete a brief online, interactive training, Talk Saves Lives, created by The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. Talk Saves Lives covers suicide awareness — the research, the risk factors and warning signs and things we can all do to change the heartbreaking trend on this leading cause of death.

TAKE THE TALK SAVES LIVES TRAINING

GETTING HELP

If you or someone you know is experiencing a mental health crisis or needs to talk, free 24/7 confidential help is available with a trained counselor. You can reach out to **988** Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, or to the Crisis Text Line by texting HOME to **741-741**.

988 can be dialed by phone, is available by text, and also has an **online chat feature**.

If you are experiencing a medical emergency or there is immediate danger or harm, call **911**.

Additional resources:

CVS Health Mental Health Awareness Guide



CVS Health Suicide
Prevention



CVS Health
Well-being site



Depression Check



CVS Health aims to reduce suicide attempts by **20%** for its Commercial adult population by 2025. For more details about all that CVS Health is doing to lead the suicide prevention charge, go to:

https://www.cvshealth.com/services/health-care-and-wellness/mental-health/suicide-prevention.html

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