



Suicide Prevention Coalition

of Clackamas County

Connection. Support. Community.

Means Safety Action Team 8.6.24 from 1 – 2pm Virtual (Zoom)

Attendees: Debbie Lindgren, Donna-Marie Drucker, Galli Murray, Nika Chernishov, Alisha Snyder

1. Welcome & Introductions

2. Updates & Announcements

a. Clackamas County launched this website: <https://www.clackamas.us/publichealth/safehome>

b. Safer Home Boxes Distributed

- 50 Safer Homes boxes will have been distributed by end of the week. A total of 100 boxes will be distributed for this pilot project.
- 25% of recipients are completing the survey.
- 100% are using at least one item in the box, looking at resources.
- 100% state that they are more likely to secure their firearm.

c. Blueprint Grant Awarded \$50,000

Plan is to develop 5-hour (includes 1 hour for lunch) Firearm Culture training for health care providers. Goal is to make health care providers feel more comfortable talking about firearms. Included in the training will be information on current data trends, OR laws that pertain to owning and transferring guns, information about how to put on a cable lock, vignettes of all different types of gun owners and why they own guns, firearm safety training (possibly show this via video) which will include all types of guns and safe handling. Plan to offer this training to health care professionals 2x with follow up after 3 months. Hope to start in the next 6 months with getting the training moving forward.

Debbie reported that OHSU has been asking for firearm culture training for their medical doctors who have struggled with these conversations. Our hope is to make this training available to whoever wants it once it is done.

3. Suffocation is the next most lethal means and needs to be addressed

- It takes 3 – 5 seconds for someone to become unconscious
- Develop a form like the one below from Santa Clara
- Goal is to create awareness about this issue.
- Would the County of Santa Clara Behavioral Health Services team be willing to come to talk to us about their work? Galli will reach out to them to ask about using some of the material in the below document to create our own.
- Link information that we create about suffocation to the county's Create a Safer Home website <https://www.clackamas.us/publichealth/safehome>



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giversGuide_0.pdf

4. Next Steps:

Would the County of Santa Clara Behavioral Health Services team be willing to come to talk to us about their work? Galli will reach out about this as well as to ask them about using some of the material in the above document to create our own.

Next meeting dates:

The next **Means Safety Action Team** meeting is September 3rd from 1 – 2pm via zoom at <https://clackamas-us-countyhealth.zoom.us/j/81203893266>. All are welcome to attend!