



All-Staff Email

Subject line: **What in the World is the Zero Suicide Initiative?**

Zero suicide. As troubled as the world seems today, is such a goal even possible? It certainly becomes more of a possibility when we undertake the commitment to make it so. That's the Zero Suicide Initiative, a national project to activate health care and mental health care organizations in adopting an approach to client care that is based on the belief **that we can prevent suicide**.

In 2015, LifeWorks NW made a commitment to be a Zero Suicide organization. What that means for you and your daily work starts with understanding how we all have a role in the effort: from front desk staff and administrators to clinicians and clinical support staff. And how LifeWorks NW will provide the support you need to conduct daily work from a Zero Suicide platform.

To get started and learn more, go to the intranet [here](#) to access:

- A self-guided powerpoint presentation that gives you an overview of Zero Suicide.
- Results of the Zero Suicide survey conducted at LifeWorks NW in 2015.
- Who to contact to learn more and get involved.

Then, watch for more information coming soon about trainings that will help each of us learn about how to use Zero Suicide principles in practice and our daily interactions with clients.

On behalf of your Zero Suicide Implementation Team, we look forward to working together with you from now and into the future, as we continue to serve our clients with compassion – and with the aim to apply ever better practices to ensure good health and well-being for all.