



## Michigan Suicide Prevention **COMMUNITY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CONFERENCE**

Treetops Resort

**May 7-9, 2025**

The Injury and Violence Prevention Section at the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services and the University of Michigan Institute for Firearm Injury Prevention are excited to offer an opportunity to build capacity to address firearm-related suicide.

### **Conference Goals**

- Enhance participants' suicide prevention collaboration, leadership, strategic planning, and program implementation skills.
- Provide tools for coalitions, communities, and individuals to improve existing programs and to develop new opportunities and resources for the communities they serve.
- Offer networking opportunities with state and national experts; as well as peers working on suicide prevention initiatives in local communities.
- Explore national, state, local, and personal roles in sustaining current efforts, implementing new models, and continuing to expand suicide prevention in the state.

### **Who Should Attend**

The Michigan Suicide Prevention Community Technical Assistance Conference (CTAC) is designed for individuals who are currently or would like to provide leadership and promote collaboration in their communities, focusing on suicide prevention planning and implementation, with an emphasis on addressing firearm-related suicide and firearm injury prevention. Participants may include representatives from behavioral health, public health, education, social services, the medical community, youth-serving organizations, community or faith-based organizations, populations at risk, and individuals who have experienced the loss of a loved one to suicide. This year, the conference will highlight strategies and collaborations aimed at reducing firearm-related suicides and injuries, empowering attendees to address this critical issue within their communities.

### **Registration**

The registration fee is \$50 and includes breakfast Thursday and Friday and lunch on Thursday. Attendance will be capped at 180 people. No additional cost for Social Work Continuing Education credits.

**THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 21<sup>ST</sup>. REGISTER ONLINE AT:**

[Michigan Suicide Prevention CTAC-May 7-9, 2025](#)

**Dinners will not be provided and lunch is not provided on Friday afternoon.** We encourage attendees to take advantage of many on-site and local area restaurants in Gaylord, perhaps take the opportunity to connect with other attendees over a meal!

## Lodging

The conference will be held at [Treetops Resort](#) in Gaylord, Michigan. **Lodging costs are the responsibility of attendees.** The group rate is \$98/night plus taxes and fees. Call **866-348-5249** and mention **“MDHHS Suicide Prevention CTAC”** to receive the group rate. **Reservation cut-off for the group rate is March 21, 2025.** After March 21<sup>st</sup> lodging will be subject to current rates. Lodging is available on a first come, first serve basis.

Treetops Resort offers several amenities including on-site restaurants, golf, tennis courts, pools, fitness center, game room, spa, high speed internet, on-site parking, and hiking/biking trails.

Lodging check-in begins at 5:00pm and check-out is 11:00am.

## Refund Policy

**We are unable to refund a canceled registration.** If a substitution is needed, please contact [Lindsay DeCamp](#) as soon as possible.

## Pre-Conference Workshops:

### Extreme Risk Protection Order (ERPO) Workshop

**Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> 1:30pm–4:30pm**

This workshop will provide an overview of Extreme Risk Protection Orders (ERPO), including their definition, purpose, how and when to file, and the legal framework. It will cover best practices for prevention, such as recognizing warning signs and implementing strategies to reduce risk. The role of community partners like mental health professionals, school personnel, law enforcement, and medical professionals in ERPO implementation and supporting families will also be discussed. The workshop team will offer insights into ERPOs, best practices for implementation, and a review of available resources and tools. Spots are limited to 60 and there is a \$20 registration fee.

### Grant Funding Essentials

**Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> 1:30pm–4:30pm**

This workshop provides a comprehensive introduction to the grant-seeking process, covering everything from administrative functions to preparing a compelling proposal. Attendees will explore the types of funding sources available, how to conduct prospect research, and key aspects of grant writing and management.

See pre-conference flyer for more information.

Spots are limited to 40 and there is a \$20 registration fee.

## Have questions or need more information?

Contact Lindsay DeCamp at [decamp1@michigan.gov](mailto:decamp1@michigan.gov) or 517-335-0027

**Register Online by March 21<sup>st</sup>:** [Michigan Suicide Prevention CTAC-May 7-9, 2025](#)

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