

Suicide Crisis News

Suicide Crisis works nationally and locally to prevent suicide

Award-winning Suicide Crisis Centre

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- **Supporting individuals in crisis after traumatic events:** our CEO is a speaker at national suicide prevention conference in October

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Our CEO, Joy, attended the All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Suicide and Self Harm Prevention during the summer. The APPG includes MPs from all the main political parties and is led by Liz Twist (Labour).

Joy spoke about our Suicide Crisis Centre and the way it operates. She was asked about how it is funded, and she explained how we are funded by a combination of public donations and small grants, and how this allows us to remain independent from statutory services. For many of our clients, it is important that we are independent from statutory services.

Our presentation for NHS Health Education England's Mental Health Crisis Workforce: they will learn about our methods and approach

On the 9th September our CEO will be giving a presentation about the way we work at our Suicide Crisis Centre for the NHS Health Education England Mental Health Crisis Workforce.

Her presentation is called "A Different Approach To Supporting People In Crisis: The Suicide Crisis Centre".

The attendees will include psychiatric professionals who work in mental health crisis services in different parts of the UK, including crisis teams, and clinicians working in emergency services.

We provide training to help British Transport Police officers support their colleagues in crisis

In September we will be providing an online suicide prevention training session for the British Transport Police, for their police officers in England, Wales and Scotland.

This will focus on sharing techniques that they can use to support other police officers who may be experiencing suicidal thoughts.

We have previously provided suicide prevention training for the British Transport Police in 2021 and earlier in 2022.

Increased numbers of individuals under psychiatric services access our crisis services instead of accessing psychiatric crisis teams

In some months this year, between 80 and 90 per cent of clients accessing our services have been under NHS community psychiatric teams.

Originally our crisis service was set up for individuals who are “off the radar of services”: individuals who might feel reluctant to access traditional or NHS services when they are in crisis, or individuals who have disengaged from psychiatric services.

However in recent months, the majority of our clients are being supported regularly by an NHS community psychiatric team, but using our crisis service instead of the psychiatric crisis teams which work alongside the community teams such as Recovery teams.

We think it is important for psychiatric services to explore why this is happening.

Supporting individuals in crisis after traumatic events: our CEO is a speaker at a national suicide prevention conference in October

Joy will be a speaker at a national conference on suicide prevention in October, which is being organised by a healthcare conference provider for healthcare staff.

Her talk is called “Responding effectively to the needs of individuals after traumatic events”. She will focus on how we can understand the unique needs of individuals experiencing a suicidal crisis after traumatic events or after traumatic bereavement – and how best we can help and support them.

We can provide details for interested clinicians.

With best wishes from all the team at Suicide Crisis

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