



## December 2015

**E-UPDATE FROM CSSRC** ~ You are receiving this email as a subscriber of the Colorado School Safety Resource Center's (CSSRC) listserv. E-Updates from the CSSRC will contain the most current information about the Center's activities and resources, as well as other school safety efforts throughout the state of Colorado and relevant national resources. **Please forward this to others on your email list that have an interest in supporting safe and positive schools in Colorado. They may register for this listserv on our website [www.Colorado.gov/SchoolSafetyResourceCenter](http://www.Colorado.gov/SchoolSafetyResourceCenter) or [www.Colorado.gov/CSSRC](http://www.Colorado.gov/CSSRC).**

### THE DIRECTOR'S CORNER

We hope everyone enjoyed a lovely Thanksgiving holiday with family and friends. We are busy finalizing workshops for the spring semester and want to be sure you are aware of some important upcoming opportunities.



- We will be hosting a [one-day workshop on threat assessment on Thursday, February 25<sup>th</sup>](#) at the Adams 12 Star Conference Center in Thornton. Since SB15-213 there has been lots of talk about having trained threat assessment teams in your buildings and this is an opportunity to not only have your team trained in the afternoon, but to hear both Dr. John Nicoletti a national expert on threat assessment and Ellen Campbell from the U.S. Department of Education discuss FERPA. There is no cost for this workshop but you **MUST BE REGISTERED**.
- The [School Emergency Management \(SEM\) grant trainings](#) will continue in January in Ft. Morgan and in February in the San Juan BOCES. This series of three workshops to get your district's safety plan updated has been very well received by the 66 district/school teams that have already completed the series. Depending upon funding, more workshops may be available in other parts of the state in the spring and summer. Please keep watching the CSSRC website.
- With grant money from the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Council, the Center will be hosting a series of four two-day workshops across the state to assist schools in learning more about [creating a restorative practices climate in your school/district](#). Workshop sites are being finalized so please continue to watch the CSSRC website for more information. Again, there will be no cost for these workshops so come learn how to change your school's culture and reduce discipline issues and suspensions.

Finally, the next meeting of the SB15-214 committee to hear reports of the Arapahoe High School tragedy will be held at the Capitol on Friday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:30 PM. These are open meetings and the audio of the meeting is available live at the Colorado General Assembly's under the interim School Safety and Youth in Crisis committee's [link](#).

Happy & Safe Holidays to you and yours from all of us at the Colorado School Safety Resource Center!

*Chris Harms*

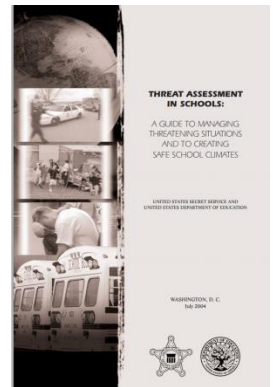
## CURRENT EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Center is pleased to welcome Mark Lanning as the new child sexual abuse Prevention Specialist. Mark is a former teacher and many of you may know him as a trainer with Mental Health First Aid Colorado. Mark is a graduate of CSU and is pursuing his master's degree from the University of Colorado, Denver. Mark's first assignment is to gather information on the many agencies across the state doing child sexual abuse work and to create a resource guide for schools. Watch for more information on this. Welcome, Mark!

### Threat Assessment in Schools

- **February 25, 2016 8:00am – 4:00pm** at the Conference Center at Adams 12 Five Star Schools
- Registration for the event is FREE! Register now on CoTrain.org using course ID: 1059665 before the workshop is full
- Please see attached [flyer](#) for more information regarding this all day workshop.
- There will be presentations in the morning by: Dr. John Nicoletti and Ellen Campbell (Office of Family Compliance for the U.S. Department of Education),
- Afternoon workshops are provided by: the [Colorado School Safety Resource Center](#) and [Safe2Tell](#)
  - The Colorado School Safety Resource Center staff will conduct a **team threat assessment training** as they have offered to schools across the state. Bring your team and walk through how to conduct a threat assessment at your school
  - Safe2Tell staff will conduct a workshop on utilizing their new app and system database
- Click here to [register](#) and [click](#) here for more information on upcoming trainings!



### NEW National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week

- **January 25-31, 2016**
- [National Institute on Drug Abuse](#) (NIDA) provides free planning tools and educational resources to help you organize an activity for teens about the effects of substances on their brain, body, and behavior. Just follow these easy steps.
  - [Register](#) your event so you can be added to the [events map](#)
  - [Order free science-based educational materials](#), such as *Drugs: Shatter the Myths* or *Marijuana: Facts for Teens* and share them with teens
  - [Promote NDAFW](#) and your event by using the [online tool kit](#)

### Colorado School Social Work Association Needs/Interest Survey

- Please allow me to introduce myself as Matt Teegarden, L.C.S.W. I am the Social Worker at Arvada High School and the newly appointed Vice President of the [Colorado School Social Work Association](#) or CSSWA.
- Take just a minute and respond to the 2015 CSSWA Needs and Interest Survey at this [link](#)
- Input is critical to planning and how to best support and advocate for the needs of Schools Workers in Colorado.
- If you have any questions or concerns or are interested in membership please contact Matt Teegarden, L.C.S.W. at [mattteegardenlcsw@gmail.com](mailto:mattteegardenlcsw@gmail.com)

### Job Opportunity at CASBHC!

- The [Colorado Association for School-Based Health Care](#) (CASBHC) is recruiting for a seasoned Executive Director
- Click for a detailed [description of the position](#) and qualifications.
- If you are anyone you know might be interested in this position, visit the [website](#) to apply

### Safe2Tell New Mobile App

- [Safe2Tell](#), a state-wide anonymous reporting line to report violent or troubling events, announces the launch of a new reporting resource for Colorado students, parents, teachers, and communities.
- The Safe2Tell Colorado mobile app for anonymously reporting threatening behaviors and safety concerns directly to Safe2Tell dispatchers in Colorado is available now for downloading. The mobile app is available from the Apple App Store for iPhones and Google Play for Android devices.
- The Safe2Tell mobile app is password protected, allows reporters to upload videos or photos, and has the ability to conduct two-way dialogue with the reporter and dispatcher using a unique login and password.
- For more information, please see the [Safe2Tell announcement](#).

## COLORADO SCHOOL SAFETY RESOURCE CENTER TRAININGS

### Emergency Operation Plans (EOP) Training Opportunity

- This is an open invitation for any district team or charter/private school team to have the opportunity to create a high-quality EOP. [The Colorado Department of Education](#) in collaboration with the [Colorado School Safety Resource Center](#) has secured a grant from the U.S. Department of Education to conduct no-cost workshops across the state over the next year to work with your teams to enhance your EOPs.
  - **Don't have a plan?** *Want to build your school's first plan to the new standard?*
  - **Have a plan?** *Want to bring your school emergency planning to the next level?*
  - **Have a great plan?** *Want to refine and update your plan?*
- Funds are also available for participant support which could include stipends, the cost of substitutes for team members to participate as well as lodging and mileage to travel to the regional training sites.
- This project is focused on rural school districts from Cortez to Sterling and Springfield to Rangely and everywhere in between. Through a series of three workshops, your team will have the materials and expertise to assist all schools in your district to upgrade and practice their plans through tabletop drills.
- Workshop schedules are being created now so please call or email Kathleen Keelan at CDE (303.319.5342 or [Keelan\\_k@cde.state.co.us](mailto:Keelan_k@cde.state.co.us)) to participate in this wonderful opportunity.

## CSSRC ONLINE COURSE OFFERINGS & ARCHIVED PRESENTATIONS

- ❖ **To view all online courses, click on the link below.**
  - [Link to CSSRC online course offerings](#)
  - [Click here to see Livestreams of all previous keynote addresses](#)

## WEBINARS and OTHER ONLINE LEARNING COURSES

## **NEW** “National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week” Delivering Scientific Facts About Drug Abuse to Teens

- **December 9, 2015 @ 2:30pm** and you can [register here!](#)
- Presented by Brian Marquis, BS Public Liaison Officer at National Institutes of Health/NIDA, Bethesda, MD
- 2016 marks the 6th Annual National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week, a health observance created by the [National Institute on Drug Abuse](#) (NIDA) to deliver the scientific facts to youth about the effects and consequences of drug abuse on the brain, body, and behavior. More than 1,500 educational events and activities were held in 2015 by high schools, community centers, juvenile justice systems, treatment centers, prevention programs, and other organizations across the country to shatter the myths about drugs and addiction.
- This webinar will give participants the opportunity to learn how to organize an event for National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week and how easy it is to utilize NIDA's free materials, such as Drugs: Shatter the Myths booklet and the National Drug IQ Challenge.

## Online Mandatory Reporter Training for Educators



- In Colorado, teachers and other school officials and employees are mandated by law to report suspected child abuse and neglect.
  - Colorado launched a statewide hotline, 1-844-CO-4-KIDS, in order to provide one easy-to-remember phone number to report suspected child abuse and neglect.
  - The [Colorado Department of Human Services](#) offers an online mandatory reporter training designed specifically for educators. In completing the training educators arm themselves with the information needed to be an effective part of the safety net protecting children and youth.
- [Click here for additional information](#)

## OTHER COLORADO TRAININGS and EVENTS

### **NEW** Law Enforcement Suicide Prevention Guide Event

- **December 1, 2015 from 1:00pm – 3:00pm**
- At the [Douglas County Sheriff's Office](#) – Highlands Ranch Substation in the Community Room
- Sheriff Spurlock has approved the Douglas County Sheriff's Office to partner with the [Carson J. Spencer Foundation](#) (CJSF) to host a second open house so that CJSF can share their new program, Breaking the Silence - Suicide Prevention for Law Enforcement.
- This program was done in conjunction with the International Association of Chiefs of Police, Denver Police Department and many other top suicide prevention organizations in the USA. As you may or may not know, more cops die by their own hand than by the hand of a felon and 1,058 people lost their lives to suicide in 2014. Suicide is preventable and is a public health issue that is tragically still something that many do not want to think about let alone talk about and WE NEED TO BE TALKING ABOUT IT!!
- If you have lost someone to suicide, our hearts go out to you and we are so very sorry for your loss! If you need support and/or connections to resources please let me know as we are here for you. If you or someone you know is in crisis please call the Colorado Crisis and Support Line at [1-844-493-8255](#).
- CJSF recognizes the hard work that our agency continues to do in suicide prevention and asked that we join them in this debut. We are recognized as leaders in suicide prevention and are honored to work closely with CJSF.

## Monthly Schedule of Full-Scale Active Shooter Exercises – Invitation to be a VIP Observer

- Help make every month Safe Schools Month in Colorado. CSSRC E-Update readers are invited to be VIP Observers at any (or all) of the monthly scheduled full-scale active shooter exercises and all-hazards exercises in [Pueblo County School District 70 \(D70\)](#).
- Schedule:
- - Wednesday, December 9, 2015, at Vineland Elementary School
  - Wednesday, January 20, 2016, at Desert Sage Elementary School
  - Wednesday, February 17, 2016, at North Mesa Elementary School
  - Wednesday, March 9, 2016, at Pueblo County High School
  - TBD April, 2016, at Sierra Vista Elementary School
  - TBD May, 2016, at Rye High School
- VIP Observers may arrive at any time, and will have access to early morning preparation activities, up-close vantage points throughout the exercises, and the all-hands-on-deck "hotwashes," or post-exercise evaluations, around lunchtime.
- Organized by: [Pueblo County Sheriff](#) Kirk Taylor, [Emergency Services Bureau](#) Chief Mark Mears, [D70 Superintendent](#) Ed Smith, and [D70 Director of Student Services](#) Greg Keasling.
- Keasling maintains at D70 a school safety center of excellence that puts into practice latest response strategies and tactics, and develops new ways to integrate school security technologies. Keasling also records each exercise using up to 70 high-definition cameras, with footage captured by embedded video documentary crews, surveillance cameras, and body cameras worn by first responders, actors, and school participants. The video archive is freely available to researchers everywhere.
- D70 conducts full-scale exercises at least once a month, rotating among its 19 campuses. Exercises involve up to 18 response agencies at a time and sometimes more than 2,000 students, teachers, and staff members.
- There is **no charge** to be a part of these events. Food and refreshments will be provided. To get more information along with your 2015-2016 VIP badge, contact John Simmons at [303-345-7926](tel:303-345-7926) or e-mail him at [john.simmons@schoolsafetysummit.org](mailto:john.simmons@schoolsafetysummit.org)

## Non-Confrontational Interview & Interrogation

- **Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup> and Friday, December 18<sup>th</sup>** hosted by [Denver Public Schools](#)
- This WZ Seminar on Non-Confrontational Interviewing is designed to teach and reinforced the sound fundamentals of the interview and interrogation process.
- Please see flyer and more information [here](#).

## CEI Professional Development Series on Classroom Management – Save the Date!

- **Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2016.**
- [Colorado Education Initiative \(CEI\)](#) will offer a professional development series entitled *Classroom Management Matters: A Social and Emotional Learning Approach*, presented by Colorado educator and author Gianna Cassetta.
- The workshop leads K-8 educators through developing a deep understanding of social and emotional competencies and a vision for a holistic approach to classroom practices that will support every student, even those who struggle most.
- Topics will include:
  - The five social and emotional competencies
  - Why children typically misbehave
  - Child development and its impact on behavior

- The three main strands of effective classroom management-relationships: 1) relationships, 2) rules and procedures, and 3) engaging instructions
- Planning for students with high behavioral needs
- Stay tuned for registration details.

### **New Multisystemic Therapy**

- **April 11, 2016 9am to 4 pm at the Blueprints conference**
- [Multisystemic Therapy Services](#) will be holding a pre-conference event for people interested in learning how to positively impact juvenile-justice reform by implementing Multisystemic Therapy.
- You will hear from MST providers, parents, judges and funders, including special guest, Nell Bernstein. Nell is the author of the award-winning book, *Burning Down the House*, a clarion call to shut down our nation's brutal and counterproductive juvenile prisons and bring our children home.
- For more information please see the flyer [here](#).

### **Updated Blueprints Conference**

- **April 11-13, 2016**
- Sponsored by: [Center for the Study of Prevention of Violence \(CSPV\)](#), University of Colorado Boulder
- [The Blueprints for Healthy Youth Development Conference](#) brings together all those committed to helping young people reach their full potential!
- The goal of the conference is to disseminate science-based information on programs that have the highest standards for promoting education, behavior, emotional well-being, physical health and positive relationships.
- Join the movement as we continue to bridge the gap between research and practice for evidence-based programs that promote healthy youth development.
- The conference will be held at the Westin Westminster in Denver, CO
- Registration is now open!
- Mark your calendar today and plan to attend!
- For information about the 2016 Blueprints Conference, please contact the meeting planners at Trio Solutions at (843) 216-0442 or email [jennifer@trio-solutions.com](mailto:jennifer@trio-solutions.com).

### **NEW 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Bridging the Divide: Suicide Awareness and Prevention Summit**

- **Save the date: May 5-6, 2016 @ Regis University Lowell Campus**
- **Registration opens February 16, 2016**
- Sponsored by: [Suicide Prevention Coalition of Colorado](#)
- The Bridging the Divide (BtD) Planning Committee is seeking presentations to round out the educational offering at the Summit. The Call for Presentations will open on December 1<sup>st</sup>.
- In addition they are also seeking sponsors for the summit. For more information on sponsorship please check [here](#).
- Please check the [summit website](#) for updated information as it becomes available.

### **Tactical Casualty Care- Introduction (TCC-I)**

- HeartSmart has developed training (Tactical Casualty Care-Introduction) and TCC kits so first responders have the supplies to quickly save their life or the lives of other victims. You can bleed to death in 3 minutes. The two hour class includes use of tourniquets, combat gauze, chest seals and gives the officer or lay person good fundamental knowledge on Phases of TCC, bleeding control, shock recognition and treatment, use of all items of the LifePak kits. The course has been approved by Police Officers Standards and Training (POST). The above findings emphasize the need for all communities to prepare for the "unthinkable".



- For more details on cost of training and/or materials and to schedule training, please contact Richard Perse at 303-506-8182 or [heartsmart911@msn.com](mailto:heartsmart911@msn.com)
- Please see attached [flyer](#)

## NATIONAL TRAININGS and EVENTS

### **NEW** The Awaken Summit

- **When: June 23-25, 2016**
- Where: Dallas, Texas
- The 2016 Awaken Summit in Dallas, TX to experience the collaboration between Darrell Scott (founder of [Rachel's Challenge](#)) and Dr. Robert Marzano (founder of [Marzano Research](#)).
- Both will be featured keynote speakers and lead breakout sessions. Darrell Scott will awaken educators to create safe and more connected learning environments. He will share the inspiring story of his daughter Rachel Scott, Columbine High School victim, and her message of kindness and compassion.
- Dr. Marzano gives teachers, schools, and districts concrete guidance about how to create a curriculum that both instructs and awakens the students
- [Click here](#) for more information and to register!

### Poster Contest to Bring Missing Children Home

- Each year hundreds of thousands of children are reported missing. Law enforcement, citizens, and even children have been instrumental in keeping children safe and returning them home to their families, community and school.
- Every year the United States Department of Justice takes time to commemorate the valiant and unselfish acts of the many organizations and individuals who bring our missing children home. Since 1983, May 25 has been designated as National Missing Children's Day.
- Each year DOJ sponsors a national poster contest and announces the winner at the annual National Missing Children's Day Ceremony in Washington, DC.
- The winner of this national contest, along with his or her teacher and parents, are brought to Washington, DC to attend this special ceremony. You are invited to join in the efforts to educate children across the country about safety issues by giving your 5th grade students an opportunity to participate in this poster contest and disseminating this information within your school district. The theme for the poster contest is "Bring Our Missing Children Home".
- The [Colorado Bureau of Investigation](#) (CBI) is the state contest manager for Colorado. All posters should be at the CBI for judging by 5 p.m. on Monday, February 1, 2016. For more information, visit the link below. [Click Here for Additional Information](#)
- For More Information, Contact: Maria Lunn Phone: 303-239-4251 Email: [maria.lunn@state.co.us](mailto:maria.lunn@state.co.us)



## CURRENT GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

### 2016 Safe Routes to Schools

- **Applications are due January 8, 2016**

- The [Colorado Department of Transportation](#) (CDOT) has announced their 2016 Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Infrastructure and Non-Infrastructure Projects Grant Applications for project funding.
- The guidelines and application can be found [here](#)!
- The goal of SRTS is to help schools, school districts and local communities enable and encourage more children in Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade to safely bicycle and walk to and from school.
- Eligible activities include, but are not limited to:
  - Planning, design, and construction of safe school routes for children to walk and bike to and from school
  - Planning, design, and construction of facilities for pedestrians and bicyclists to travel to and from school
  - Educating children, parents, and communities about safe walking and bicycling practices and the health benefits that result from walking and bicycling to and from school.
- To provide guidance on completing the application and understanding the requirements of a CDOT grant, the Colorado SRTS program manager will be hosting grantee training sessions at various locations throughout the state in mid-November.
- Please email or call Leslie Feuerborn, Colorado SRTS Program Manager at 303.757.9088 or [dot\\_srts@state.co.us](mailto:dot_srts@state.co.us)



### School Security In-Kind Grant Program

- **This is an ongoing grant opportunity**
- [Video Insight](#) will donate \$1 million in grants to underfunded school systems across the United States.
- The program will donate 50 video surveillance grants valued at \$20,000 each to school and college applicants from across the United States.
- For detailed information on how to apply for the 2015 Video Insight School Security In-Kind Grant program please visit this [website](#) or call (713)621-9779.

## RESOURCES and INFORMATION

### New Protective Factors Associated with Bullying & Substance Use & Suicide

- This data is from the Healthy Youth Team (HYT), as a part of the MCH work from the [Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment](#)
- They asked to have data pulled from the Healthy Kids survey on bullying, suicide, and substance use, including marijuana, and look at the associations with protective factors. With the MCH work, they are looking at school connectedness and thought that the 2013 Healthy Kids data could serve as a baseline for their work.
- Please see [PowerPoint](#) for data and information!

### Evaluation of the GLSEN Safe Space Kit

- The newly-released evaluation report assesses the utility of the *GLSEN Safe Space Kit* itself, which was developed to build on the power of the iconic Safe Space Sticker by supporting educators who want to become informed and active allies to LGBT youth. It is encouraging to see that educators found the kit to be a practical and useful resource that responds to their reality. Their responses give a window on the variety of ways that the kits are affecting school communities:



- Teachers and school staff who received the kit are taking action: Faculty and staff report that they turn to the *GLSEN Safe Space Kit* for practical guidance on making their schools safer and more supportive for LGBT youth. Educators who read the guide were more likely to have supported LGBT youth and to have examined their school's policies and practices regarding LGBT youth. Even teachers in hostile environments who did not feel able to put the stickers up used the kit to figure out ways to take an action appropriate to their school environment to start sowing the seeds of change.
- GLSEN Safe Space Kits are starting dialogue and sparking change in schools nationwide: Nearly 80% of educators who received the kit reported intervening to stop anti-LGBT bullying – a higher rate than LGBT student reports of teacher intervention nationally. A significant number went beyond that baseline step. Half of the kit recipients had reached out to their colleagues to discuss the issues facing LGBT students and how they might be able to make a difference. Building a critical mass of adult support within a school is key to transforming school culture and significantly improving the academic achievement and individual well-being of LGBT students.
- You can get further information about the evaluation report and download a copy [here](#)

### Finding Programs to Address Bullying

- If you're looking to implement a program to address bullying, you might start by reviewing what's working (or not) in other programs. [Child Trends' What Works](#) database is a searchable database of evaluated social interventions for children. You can search for programs that address bullying behaviors, including characteristics of the groups they target in your search.
- They have synthesized some of these programs and those can be found [here](#).

### Healthy Purchasing for Healthy Schools – A Guidance Memo

- [Healthy Schools Network](#) commissioned this customizable guidance memo to help organizations and education policy makers make smart decisions to reduce the presence of toxic chemicals in schools. The goals are always to have more children achieve their full potential and miss fewer school days, and to have school administrators reduce risks to health and stay on budget.
- Read the full memo [here](#)

### IBPA's Fall Newsletter

- [International Bullying Prevention Association](#) Fall 2015 Newsletter
- Please find the current newsletter [here](#)

### In The Know: Retail Marijuana Education Program Newsletter

- This is a monthly newsletter from the [Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment](#)
- Inside this newsletter are funding and job opportunities and upcoming trainings
- Click [here](#) for the newsletter

### Online Toolkit: VA: How to Talk to a Child about a Suicide Attempt in Your Family

- This online resource from the US Department of Veteran's Affairs (VA) provides age-specific information for talking with children and adolescents about a family member's suicide attempt.
- Learn why talking about suicide attempt is important, when to talk about an attempt, how much information to share, ways to support child and adolescents and examples on what to say and how to say it.
- Visit the [website](#) for more information.
- Statewide Truancy Best Practices Committee Recommendation Report
- Truancy is both a cause of legal and economic problems, and an effect of those problems. Research shows that compared to the general population, truants are relatively likely to come from low-income families, to

have parents who lack high school degrees, to have been victims of abuse or neglect, and to come from homes where parents have histories of criminality or substance abuse.

- Please click [here](#) to read the latest report on best practices from CO Courts.

### “Signs of Suicide” in Middle Schools

- A study to evaluate the effects of the Signs of Suicide (SOS) program in middle schools found that children who reported suicidal ideation prior to participating in the program were 96 percent less likely to report suicidal behaviors (ideation, planning, or attempts) three months after participating in SOS than children with prior ideation who had not participated in the program.
- Find the full article [here](#)



## INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION

### New White Paper: Developing a Clery Compliance Committee

- Announcing a New White Paper written by [NACCOP](#) and presented by [STANLEY Security](#)
- Historically, the burden of complying with the Clery Act has been largely relegated to the campus police or public safety department because schools have narrowly viewed this Federal law to be limited to disclosing crime statistics. In reality, the complexities of the law reach across multiple offices and administrative divisions within an institution. The Federal government expects institutions to manage their compliance activities using a [collaborative approach](#).

### Webinar: Innovations in Supporting Emotional Well-Being on Campus

- Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 2:00PM EDT and Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 2:00PM EDT and is hosted by [Tulane University](#), [The Jed Foundation](#) and [Kognito](#)
- Research has shown that the emotional well-being of students has a direct impact on their academic success. According to NAMI, nearly 73 percent of students living with a mental health condition experienced a mental health crisis on campus. On-campus counseling services are a critical first step in addressing the matter, but more innovative approaches are necessary to ensure all student needs are met.
- Join the webinar on 11/3 or 11/5 to hear from experts who will share the innovative approaches campuses are implementing to help support emotional wellness on campus.
- [Register here!](#)

### White House Task Force Releases New Resources for Campus Communities

- The [White House Task Force to Protect Students from Sexual Assault](#) released two new resources for campus community members and health practitioners on Thursday, September 17th to help prevent and respond to sexual violence on campus. The release of these resources, a Resource Guide and Safe Place: Trauma-Sensitive Practice for Health Centers Serving Students toolkit, coincide with this month's 21st anniversary of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA).
- The resource guide is a compilation of existing materials designed to support students; campus administrators, staff, and faculty; and local stakeholders and partners. The guide was created to serve as a central hub for the resources that have been created over the past few years. The guide includes:
  - Campus climate surveys

- Prevention tools
- Training and technical assistance, including information on the [trauma-informed sexual assault investigation and adjudication training program from NCCPS](#)
- Sexual misconduct policies and procedures
- Community partnerships and MOUs
- Public awareness and engagement activities
- Data and information-sharing
- Selected funding opportunities
- Related law and policy sources
- The resource guide can be found on [Notalone.gov](#) or you may [download the PDF](#).
- The [Safe Place resource kit](#) was developed by the Department of Education's National Center on Safe Supportive Learning Environments Technical Assistance Center for campus health center managers. It is designed to expand campus health centers' understanding and implementation of trauma-informed response and practice to sexual violence. According to the National Center on Safe Supportive Learning, the new kit will "support health center staff at all levels to:
  - Understand the likelihood that they serve student patients and even work with colleagues affected by trauma.
  - Infuse trauma-sensitive approaches into their daily routine.
  - Create a care environment that supports students affected by trauma."

Visit the [Safe Place website](#) to download the kit's various guides, checklists, and e-learning units

## Stories from the Field

### **NEW** [What an accepting family and school looks like: a trans girl at Boulder High School](#)

- One Colorado school district has become a model in instilling acceptance and understanding for transgender youth. Boulder's approach attracted a 15-year-old Shannon Axe and her parents, and word is spreading.
- This is an interesting [documentary from the Denver Post](#) about a transgender female student at Boulder High School, her family, and her friends.

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- Featuring daily updates on new research, resources, upcoming trainings, and Center activities.



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**THE CSSRC IS AVAILABLE** to any pre-K through higher education school to assist in your school safety planning. Our mission is to provide ***no-cost consultation, resources, training and technical assistance*** that can help you create a safe, positive, and successful school. We can customize a variety of trainings for your school safety and crisis planning teams or your school staff as you plan and train this school year. We invite you to continue monitoring our website ([www.Colorado.gov/SchoolSafetyResourceCenter](http://www.Colorado.gov/SchoolSafetyResourceCenter) or [www.Colorado.gov/CSSRC](http://www.Colorado.gov/CSSRC)) for the latest school safety information and upcoming trainings. **Call us at: 303-239-4435.**



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