Zero Suicide is a commitment to suicide prevention in health and behavioral health care systems and also a specific set of tools and strategies. It is both a concept and a practice. Its core proposition is that suicide deaths for people under care are preventable and that the bold goal of zero suicides among persons receiving care is an aspirational challenge that health systems should accept. It represents a commitment to patient safety – the most fundamental responsibility of health care – and also to the safety and support of clinical staff who treat and support suicidal patients.

The Zero Suicide Academy™ is a two-day training for senior leaders of health and behavioral health care organizations that seek to dramatically reduce suicides among patients in their care. Six health and behavioral health care organizations have been selected to attend this first of six Zero Suicide Academies™ sponsored by the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS), to be held in Massillon, Ohio in April 2016:

- County of Summit Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board
  - Akron, OH
- Crisis Intervention and Recovery Center, Inc.
  - Canton, OH
- Genesis HealthCare System
  - Zanesville, OH
- Heartland Behavioral HealthCare
  - Massillon, OH
- The Counseling Center of Wayne and Holmes Counties
  - Wooster, OH
- Woodland Centers, Inc.
  - Gallipolis, OH