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. 15 health and behavioral health care organizations have been selected to attend the Zero Suicide Academy® to be held in Columbia, SC in May 2019:

1. Aiken-Barnwell Mental Health Center
2. Anderson-Oconee-Pickens Mental Health Center
3. Berkeley Community Mental Health
4. Catawba Community Mental Health Center
5. Charleston Dorchester Mental Health Center
6. Columbia Area Mental Health Center
7. Department of Mental Health/Coastal Empire Community Mental Health Center
8. Greater Greenville Mental Health Center – Piedmont
9. Orangeburg Area Mental Health Center
10. Pee Dee Mental Health
11. Santee-Wateree Community Mental Health Center
12. SCDMH - Lexington County Community Mental Health Center
13. Spartanburg Area Mental Health Center
14. Tri-County Community Mental Health Center
15. Waccamaw Center for Mental Health