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

Accepted Organizations

1. Atrium Health
2. C.M. Tucker Jr., Nursing Care Center (Roddey Pavilion and Stone Veterans Home)
3. DMH-Wellpath, Columbia Regional Care Center
4. G. Werber Bryan Psychiatric Hospital (BPH)
5. Harris Psychiatric Hospital
6. McLeod Health
7. Morris Village Alcohol and Drug Treatment Center- Department of Mental Health
8. Nursing Home Administration
9. Prisma Health Midlands
10. Ralph H. Johnson VA Medical Center
11. South Carolina Department of Mental Health - Division of Inpatient Services
12. South Carolina Department of Mental Health - Central Office
13. William S. Hall Psychiatric Institute