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**To:** All Behavioral Health Services Providers

**Subject:** Broadcast Message No. 012.24  
Suicide Prevention Awareness Month Webinar Series

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) is excited to announce the 2024 Suicide Prevention Awareness Month Webinar Series. One webinar will be offered each Friday in September. The webinar schedule is listed below.

**September 6, 2024: Language Matters**

- 10:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m. CDT
- When discussing suicide, language matters. In this webinar, the HHSC Suicide Prevention Team will discuss ways to talk about suicide in a clear and factual manner. Participants will be given tips for safe messaging about suicide prevention.
- Register here:  
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3661532490783799128>

**September 13, 2024: Thriving Together: Building Workplace Resilience Through Connection**

- 10:00 a.m.–11:30 a.m. CDT
- In this webinar learn how authentically engaging in reciprocity positively affects help-seeking, help-offering and prevents suicide.
- Register here:  
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5062437847919332445>

**September 20, 2024: Warriors Burden: The Deadly Price of Silent Suffering and How We Can Heal our Military Heroes**

- 10:00a.m.–11:30 a.m. CDT
- In this webinar participants will explore the critical issue of suicide prevention through the eyes of a veteran with lived experience. Delving into the profound struggles service members face when transitioning to civilian life, this talk exposes how the military code of silence has set a deadly precedent

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in help seeking, and offers strategies for fostering open dialogue and support to aid in their healing.

- Register here:  
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5998409215759474776>

**September 27, 2024: Lisa Morgan: Suicide Prevention for People with Autism Spectrum Disorder**

- 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. CDT
- In this webinar, Lisa Morgan, Co-Chair of the Autism and Suicide Committee of the American Association of Suicidology, will share important ways to connect with individuals with autism spectrum disorder who may be thinking about suicide.
- Register here:  
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2968910534029238102>

For questions about this broadcast, please email [suicide.prevention@hhs.texas.gov](mailto:suicide.prevention@hhs.texas.gov).

Sincerely,

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