



Suicide Data Collection in RPMS



Suicide, especially among youth and young adults, is a serious public health concern in American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) communities. The CDC reports that 2004 suicide rates were highest among whites and second highest among AI/AN men, and Native Americans have the highest rate of suicide in the 15-24 age group. Surveillance, data collection and data analysis are integral components of a comprehensive community or public health agency response to suicide.

In support of Agency healthcare IT initiatives and GPRA clinical performance measures, the suicide surveillance tool is available RPMS-wide in PCC, PCC+, the RPMS Electronic Health Record and the RPMS Behavioral Health System (BHS). Most patients with serious suicidal ideation or attempts present first to providers in primary or emergency care. The availability of the RPMS suicide surveillance tool for all providers in I/T/U healthcare settings will promote standardized and systematic documentation of suicide events. The suicide surveillance tool allows clinicians to document incidents of suicide, including ideations with intent and plan, attempts and completions. It captures data related to a specific incident of suicide, such as date and location of act, method, contributing factors and other useful epidemiological information.

Local and National Reports

Suicide data can be analyzed locally through RPMS reports available in PCC and BHS. Aggregate suicide data is exported nationally via the RPMS BHS.

With the expansion of suicide data collection to the primary and emergency care settings, IHS will have more comprehensive and reliable information about these occurrences. The data will be used to better understand the prevalence of suicide in the populations served by I/T/U healthcare facilities and to inform intervention and prevention activities.

Method

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<input type="checkbox"/> Hanging	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Overdose
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<input type="checkbox"/> Jumping	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:
<input type="checkbox"/> Stabbing/Laceration	

Overdosed Using

Substance Name
ACETAMINOPHEN (E.G. TYLENOL)
ALCOHOL

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