Policy Recommendations to Prevent Adolescent Substance Misuse and Suicide

Focused on the health and well-being of adolescents, a new report by Trust for America’s Health (TFAH) and Well Being Trust continues a series of Pain in the Nation reports that inform national policy to advance a comprehensive National Resilience Strategy.

In addition to highlighting recent trends in adolescent substance use and suicide, Addressing a Crisis: Cross-Sector Strategies to Prevent Adolescent Substance Use and Suicide identifies risk and protective factors that influence adolescent risk for substance use and suicide and other critical youth outcomes, such as academic success. The report highlights dozens of evidence-based, cross-sector approaches that can improve adolescents’ life circumstances, protect them from harm and set them on healthy trajectories leading to their success in school and into adulthood. The report provides a set of cross-sector recommendations to prevent adolescent substance misuse and suicide.

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About the Bridging Collaborative  

The Bridging Collaborative was built on the recognition that the relationship between public health agencies, health care organizations (systems, hospitals, health systems, etc.) and the community is central to population health improvement efforts.

The purpose of the collaborative is to help strengthen the relationship between public health, health care and the community by supporting and disseminating cross-sectoral population health efforts.

The Collaborative is co-chaired by Terry Allan, Health Commissioner of the Cuyahoga County Board of Health (Ohio), and David Lakey, Chief Medical Officer and Associate Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs at the University of Texas System.

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