

Provider Partnership Ideas

As part of a suicide cluster response plan, you can also identify community and provider partnerships to help individuals cope with loss, grief and isolation

Consider reaching out to these organizations to activate these partnership ideas:

- Offer an open public forum for community members or people in the affected area to share questions and concerns. Partner with local providers and counselors to help answer questions and provide facts.
- In our state's sovereign nations, talk about suicide as part of a tribal council meeting with healers, providers and others with lived experience there to share their stories.
- Organize pop-up counseling or crisis sessions for affected students, parents and loved ones with private, onsite counselor support.
- Mobilize a street team to pin up 988 posters and hand out other support materials in the community. You can order materials here: SDBehavioralHealth.gov/Outreach-Materials.
- Share grief counselors and support groups in your area.
- Consider speaking with or mobilizing counselor support services for other at-risk groups including youth and student groups, veterans and ag producers.
- Share fact sheets and materials with law enforcement, health providers and first responders.

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