

Nev. attempting to lower state suicide rate

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Nevada has the fourth highest rate of suicide in the nation. To combat this issue, the Nevada Suicide Prevention Office is forming a committee with 10 members from across the state.

Each member will focus on a different facet of the problem, including how to help veterans and Native American youth.

Suicide Prevention Coordinator, Misty Allen, says the committee wants to look more closely at the factors and trends related to Nevada's suicides.

"We are a very rural state. With ruralness comes isolation, high gun ownership in homes, lack of resources if someone does need help, high stigma about mental health, substance abuse and suicide."

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