# The Bree Collaborative Harm to Self and Others Charter and Roster

#### **Problem Statement**

Suicide is the 10<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death nationally and homicide is the 16<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death. <sup>1,2</sup> The 2016 Washington State Supreme Court decision Volk v. DeMeerleer expanded the health care provider's duty to warn potential victims of a patient's violence. The Bree Collaborative has been asked to establish clinical best practices for patients who may exhibit homicidal or suicidal ideation.

#### Aim

To recommend best practices for mental health services regarding patient mental health treatment and patient management.

## **Purpose**

To propose evidence-based recommendations to the full Bree Collaborative on:

- Patient confidentiality.
- Discharging patients.
- Treating patients with homicide ideation and suicide ideation.
- Record-keeping to decrease variation in practice patterns in these areas.
- Identifying other areas of focus, or modifying areas, as needed.

# **Duties & Functions**

The Shared Decision Making workgroup will:

- Research evidence-based and expert-opinion informed guidelines and best practices (emerging and established).
- Consult relevant professional associations and other stakeholder organizations and subject matter experts for feedback, as appropriate.
- Meet for approximately nine months, as needed.
- Provide updates at Bree Collaborative meetings.
- Post draft report(s) on the Bree Collaborative website for public comment prior to sending report to the Bree Collaborative for approval and adoption.
- Present findings and recommendations in a report.
- Recommend data-driven and practical implementation strategies.
- Create and oversee subsequent subgroups to help carry out the work, as needed.
- Revise this charter as necessary based on scope of work.

#### Structure

The workgroup will consist of individuals confirmed by Bree Collaborative members or appointed by the chair of the Bree Collaborative or the workgroup chair. The chair of the workgroup will be appointed by the chair of the Bree Collaborative. The Bree Collaborative program director and program assistant will staff and provide management and support services for the workgroup.

Less than the full workgroup may convene to: gather and discuss information; conduct research; analyze relevant issues and facts; or draft recommendations for the deliberation of the full workgroup. A quorum shall be a simple majority and shall be required to accept and approve recommendations to send to the Bree Collaborative.

## Meetings

The workgroup will hold meetings as necessary. The director will conduct meetings along with the chair, arrange for the recording of each meeting, and distribute meeting agendas and other materials prior to each meeting. Additional workgroup members may be added at the discretion of the workgroup chair.

Name	Title	Organization
Kim Moore, MD (chair)	Associate Chief Medical Director	CHI Franciscan
G. Andrew Benjamin, JD, PhD, ABPP	Clinical Psychologist, Affiliate Professor of Law	University of Washington
Kate Comtois, PhD, MPH	Professor	Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences Harborview Medical Center
Jaclyn Greenberg, JD, LLM	Policy Director, Legal Affairs	Washington State Hospital Association
Laura Groshong, LICSW	Clinical Social Work	Private Practice
Ian Harrel, MSW	Chief Operating Officer	Behavioral Health Resources
Lucy Holmans, JD, LMHC	Member	WA State Psychological Association
Kelli Nomura, MBA	Behavioral Health Administrator	King County
Mary Ellen O'Keefe, ARNP, MN, MBA	Clinical Nurse Specialist - Adult Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing; President Elect	Association of Advanced Psychiatric Nurse Practitioners
Jennifer Piel, MD, JD (invited)	Psychiatrist	Department of Psychiatry, University of Washington
Julie Rickard, PhD	Program Director	American Behavioral Health Systems - Parkside
Jeffery Sung, MD	Member	Washington State Psychiatric Association
Hold		Department of Health
Amira Whitehill, MFT	Member	Washington Association for Marriage and Family Therapists
Hold for Certified counselor		

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Murphy SL, Xu JQ, Kochanek KD, Arias E. Mortality in the United States, 2017. NCHS Data Brief, no 328. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics. 2018. Available: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/databriefs/db328-h.pdf">www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/databriefs/db328-h.pdf</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Xu JQ, Murphy SL, Kochanek KD, Bastian B, Arias E. Deaths: Final data for 2016. National Vital Statistics Reports; vol 67 no 5. Hyattsville, MD: National Center for Health Statistics. 2018. Available: www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr67/nvsr67\_05.pdf