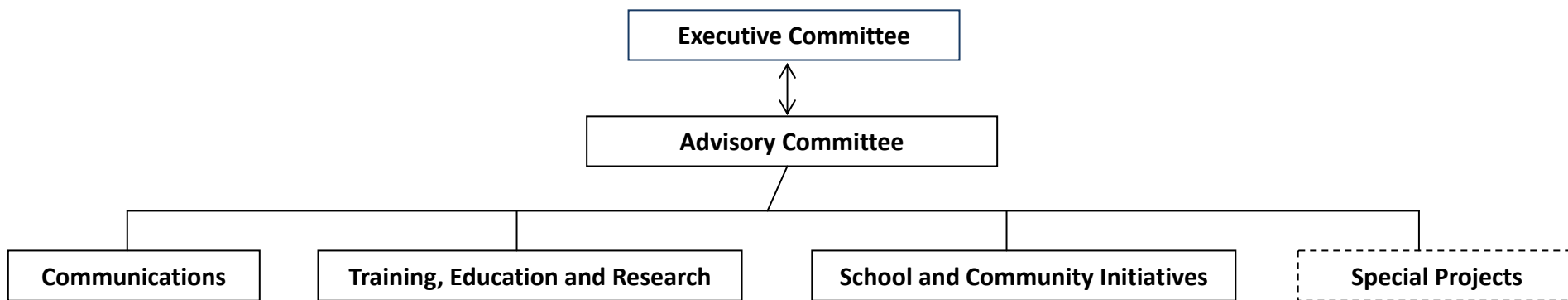


Pennsylvania Youth Suicide Prevention Initiative



Mission: The Pennsylvania Youth Suicide Prevention Initiative is a multi-system collaboration to reduce youth suicide.

Vision: Youth suicide prevention will be embraced and incorporated into the fabric of every community in Pennsylvania to address the social and emotional development of youth at risk and survivors of suicide.

Six Goals:

1. Provide information and resources to the general public
2. Support community suicide prevention task forces
3. Promote research and dissemination of research knowledge, including outcomes
4. Lead efforts for policy changes to reduce the number of youth suicides
5. Promote collaboration among systems of care
6. Work with systems of care to increase identification of youth at risk for suicide

Communications	Training, Education and Research	School and Community Initiatives
Continue to develop the website (www.payspi.org) and consider the use of social media (Facebook, YouTube, etc.) (Goal 1)	Disseminate regular updates from the Garrett Lee Smith Youth Suicide Prevention Grant Project, especially focusing on relevant research, outcomes and how other communities can begin to replicate BHS in primary care (Goals 1, 3)	Monitor pending legislation and promote public policy related to suicide prevention and advocate for more comprehensive youth suicide prevention awareness in communities and training in schools (Goal 4)
Provide information about Pennsylvania's youth suicide prevention efforts at local and statewide events (Goals 1, 2 3)	Expand the Training section of the website and promote its use (Goals 1, 3)	Continue to support and develop community-based initiatives—including suicide prevention task forces and faith-based efforts—by listserv, regular meetings (both WebEx and face-to-face), and other methods (Goals 2, 5)
Plan a statewide Youth Suicide Prevention event for 2012 (Goals 1, 2, 3, 5)	Plan a statewide Youth Suicide Prevention event (follow-up to 2011 symposium) for 2012 (Goals 1, 2, 3, 5)	Collaborate with the state Departments (including Education, Health and Public Welfare) and local governmental entities to strengthen suicide prevention efforts in schools and communities.(Goals 5, 6)