

Community Readiness:

1. Low Awareness of Suicide as a Community Problem
2. Low Recognition of Potential for Prevention
3. Increasing Recognition of Need for Suicide Prevention
4. Pre-planning (*Tentative interest in suicide prevention.*)
5. Preparation (*Actively developing a plan for prevention.*)
6. Initiation (*Implementation of prevention programming.*)
7. Operation (*One/more prevention efforts underway.*)
8. Expansion/Confirmation (*Refine, broaden programs.*)
9. Professionalization (*More accountability and support.*)

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