

In recognition of Worldwide Suicide Prevention Day
USC Verdugo Hills Hospital Foundation and Matthew Silverman Memorial Foundation
present the 5th Annual

Suicide Awareness & Prevention Conference

Having Courageous Conversations to Educate and Fight Stigma

SEPTEMBER 12

Welcome

Clifford Feldman, MD, JD, MFS
Conference Moderator
Clinical Director, USC Verdugo Hills Hospital Geropsychiatric Program

9:05 - 9:55 am

Out of the Darkness - Suicide Prevention Legislation

Anthony Portantino, California State Senator

10:00 - 10:50 am

Understanding Suicide - A Primer

Candace Yoder, Executive Director
Matthew Silverman Memorial Foundation

11 - 11:50 am

The Decline in US Life Expectancy: Are Deaths of Despair Responsible?

Steven H. Woolf, MD, MPH
Director Emeritus VCU Center on Society and Health

12:15 - 1 pm

*Breakout Rooms and Resource Fair

SEPTEMBER 26

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Breaking 30 Years of Family Silence After Suicide

Ruth Golden, Documentary Film Maker

10 - 10:50 am

Suicide Prevention: Child and Adolescent Suicidology

Dr. Paul Kurkjian, USC Verdugo Hills Hospital Psychiatrist

11-11:50 am

At Risk Sub Populations - Panel

Seniors/Elderly, Veterans, Under-served Communities, LGBTQ, Teens

12:15 - 1 pm

*Breakout Rooms and Resource Fair

*Breakout rooms will accommodate more intimate Q&A opportunities with presenters.
Resource Fair participant list will be published closer to the time of the event.

Two Day

VIRTUAL Conference

Saturday, Sept. 12

Saturday, Sept. 26

9 am - 1pm PST

Online registration is required

day 1 registration - [HERE](#)

day 2 registration - [HERE](#)

CEU's Available

All participants should note that the event will be recorded in audio and video formats. Recordings will be available on the hospital's website after the event.



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