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SAMHSA unveils new Suicide Prevention Mobile App

National suicide prevention experts and health care providers will discuss progress made by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) in suicide prevention in a briefing on Wednesday, March 11. During this event, SAMHSA Administrator Pamela S. Hyde, will unveil a free new mobile app that helps behavioral and health care providers assist patients with suicidal ideation or behaviors.

Suicide is the tenth leading cause of death in the United States, and it is the second leading cause of death among young people. Suicide can be prevented, and SAMHSA is working to ensure resources are available to help patients and providers address suicide.

WHO:

- Pamela S. Hyde, Administrator, SAMHSA
- John Draper, Director, National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
- Jerry Reed, Director, Suicide Prevention Resource Center
- Misha Kessler, Project Director, DC Recovery Network, and suicide attempt survivor
- Dr. Fabian Sandoval, CEO and Medical Director, Emerson Clinical Research Institute

WHEN: Wednesday, March 11, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

WHERE: The National Press Club
First Amendment Lounge
529 14th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20045

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The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) is the agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) that leads public health efforts to advance the behavioral health of the nation. SAMHSA's mission is to reduce the impact of substance abuse and mental illness on America's communities.