

Westminster HHCP resources on suicide prevention

Westminster City Council and Homeless Health Coordination Project managed by Groundswell

Introduction

In 2018-19 there was a spike in suicides within homelessness services in Westminster which had a massive impact on staff.

As a result of this Westminster City Council Rough Sleeping team developed a process for reviewing deaths. The Homeless Health Coordination Project were tasked with creating a suite of materials and toolkits to support organisations and staff. These have drawn on learning from a range of different organisations and also linked in with Westminster's wider Public Health work around suicide. This has ensured that the multiple disadvantage group have received focus as part of broader Westminster suicide prevention work.

Resources include toolkits on postvention, supporting staff after a death, working with suicidal clients as well as regular online live training.

Useful resources created by the project

The resources that have been created as part of this project can be see on the Groundswell <u>Westminster Homeless Health</u> <u>Coordination Project</u> page and include:

- Westminster HHCP Suicide Postvention Toolkit
- Westminster HHCP Supporting Staff When a Client Dies
- Westminster HHCP Working with Suicidal Clients Toolkit