

World **Suicide Prevention Day**

Working Together to Prevent Suicide

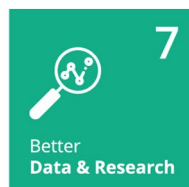
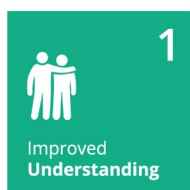
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Connecting for Life

7 strategic goals **69** targeted actions

Connecting for Life is Ireland's National Strategy to Reduce Suicide, 2015-2020. Its 7 goals relate to:



Connecting for Life is based upon current national and international evidence in relation to effective suicide prevention strategies.

The actions within Connecting for Life are being implemented at many different levels by all the agencies involved. The National Office for Suicide Prevention (NOSP) has a role in monitoring and tracking implementation and progress.

The **Implementation Plan** and **Progress Reports** for the Connecting for Life strategy are available at www.connectingforlifeireland.ie.

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 lead agents

22 government departments or agencies have made commitments to deliver on many of the 69 actions in Connecting for Life. In addition to the HSE, lead agents include;

Department of Education and Skills
Department of Agriculture, Food & the Marine
Department of Health
Department of Communications, Climate Action & Environment
The Press Council of Ireland
Department of Justice and Equality
Department of Children and Youth Affairs
Department of Defence
Department of Social Protection

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 NGO partners

Over 28 charities and non-government organisations receive funding from the HSE National Office for Suicide Prevention, to deliver on work which is aligned with the goals and actions in Connecting for Life. Almost 60% of NOSP's budget is allocated to these frontline services. Examples of key partners include;

Samaritans
The National Suicide Research Foundation
Pieta House
Aware
BeLong To
Exchange House
Childline
Suicide or Survive
Shine
SpunOut.ie

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 area-level plans

15 of the 17 area-level Connecting for Life action plans are now in place and being implemented across the country. These local action plans support the national goals. Each area has established local implementation structures and partners to advance actions in their areas.