

National Office for Suicide Prevention

The NOSP identified the following key priorities in their 2006 Development Plan:

Making it Happen

1. To establish a national forum of key stakeholders and to brief on current activities and research on suicide prevention (*Reach Out* p.17, 18 (Making it Happen))

Level A – General Population

2. To deliver agreed training programmes set out in *Reach Out* (e.g. Action 7.3)
3. To work with the media to improve reporting of suicide and deliberate self harm (*Reach Out* Action Area 9)
4. To launch a national mental well being campaign in conjunction with Mental Health Promotion and non governmental organisations (*Reach Out* Action Area 10)
5. To pilot a 'gateway' service post to inter-face between Primary Care AND Secondary Services in responding to suicidal crises (*Reach Out* Action 11.5)

Level B – Targeted Actions

6. To ensure full coverage in hospital A&E departments of appropriate services to respond to presentations following deliberate self harm (*Reach Out* Action 12.3)
7. To develop a travellers suicide prevention project (*Reach Out* Action Area 15)
8. To complete research into the link between institutional abuse and suicide (*Reach Out* Action Area 19)

Level C – Responding following Suicide

9. To review and develop bereavement support services (*Reach Out* Action Area 23)

Level D – Information and Research

10. To action the outcome of research undertaken by the National Suicide Research Foundation into appropriate methods of data collection relating to suicide mortality (*Reach Out* Action 25.2)
11. To develop methods of reaching people (especially young people) through the medium of Information and Communications Technology (ICT), e.g. e-mail, texting, messaging (*Reach Out* Action 25.4)
12. To agree a national programme of appropriate research on suicide prevention in Ireland (*Reach Out* Action 26.1)