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Wyoming Governor's Challenge Suicide Prevention Among SMVF

Background

Wyoming joined the VA's Governor's and Mayor's Challenges to Prevent Suicide Among Service Members, Veterans, and their Families (SMVF) in 2021. Since then, the Wyoming Governor's Challenge team has been developing and implementing state-wide suicide prevention best practices for SMVF, using a public health approach. Wyoming's team is focused on three priority efforts: 1) Identifying SMVF and screening for suicide risk. 2) Promoting connectedness and improving care transitions. 3) Increasing lethal means safety and safety planning.

Call to Action

Healthcare professionals often encounter veterans, service members, and military families without always knowing it. Veterans do not always identify themselves. Asking, "have you or a family member ever served in the military?" can insure proper identification of SMVF which in-turn can facilitate appropriate diagnosis, treatment planning and referrals. We invite you to join in our effort to prevent veteran suicide by implementing the "Ask The Question" campaign in your intake process and sharing that data in the steps below.

Caring Contacts

Caring Contacts is an evidence based intervention model recommended by multiple clinical practice guidelines. Caring Contacts are brief, periodic messages sent over 1-2 years that express unconditional care and concern. This intervention has been shown to reduce suicide, suicide attempts, and suicide ideation.

Wyoming211 CommuniCare

CommuniCare, the Wyoming Community Information Exchange powered by Wyoming 211, was created in response to the need to better connect providers of all types through one electronic platform. With client consent, CommuniCare partners are able to create care coordination teams to streamline communication and access real-time updates. Access to the entire Wyoming 211 database makes CommuniCare a one-stop location for referrals. This program is staffed by CommuniCare navigators who can work with patients opted-in to Caring Contacts as a way to extend the support provided to a patient after discharge.

Join us virtually Friday November 14th from 10-11am to learn more.
Join the meeting now
Meeting ID: 280 774 186 503 1
Passcode: Ey63mN3Z



Just-in-Time Trainings

This month's Just-in-Time (JIT) trainings focus on special populations.

These short, practical modules were designed to help clinicians and responders deliver safe, effective care when it matters most.

[Essentials on the Care for the Pregnant Patient in a Disaster Setting and one-page PDF](#)

[Essentials in Trauma Care in the Geriatric Population in a Disaster Setting and one-page PDF](#)

Cybersecurity Made Simple

Every payment carries risk, from vendor fraud and phishing attempts to compromised bank data. As digital payment volumes grow, so do cyber threats, making it critical for finance teams to strengthen their payment security posture without slowing down operations.

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In honor of Cybersecurity Awareness Month, we're sharing best practices to help you and your team stay protected. Explore how to identify potential scams, reduce exposure to phishing and ransomware, and create a culture of proactive security.

Read the article: [Cybersecurity Made Simple: Practical Tips to Keep Your Data Safe](#) →

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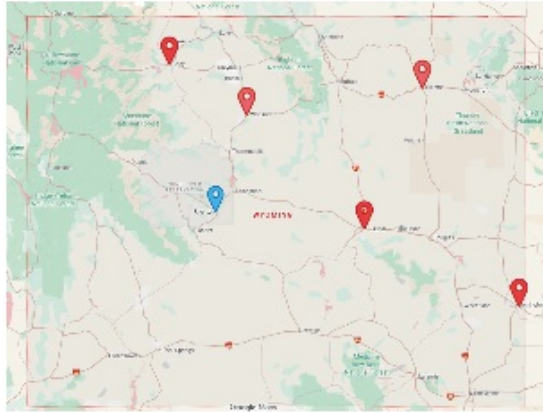
[Read the Article Here](#)



PATHS UPDATE IN WYOMING

Wyoming now has 5 Public Access Telehealth Spaces (PATHS).

The PATHS Project aims to improve access to care by providing communities with a free, accessible, and private location to meet with the telehealth provider



The Locations Include:

1. Goshen County Public Library, Torrington WY
2. Natrona County Public Library, Casper WY
3. Park County Public Library, Cody WY
4. Campbell County Public Library, Gillette WY
5. Washakie County Public Library, Worland WY
6. Riverton Senior Citizens Center, Anticipated Winter 2025

In addition to these booths, we are currently looking for one more community space to host a booth.

If you are interested in partnering with us, or have any questions, please reach out to kglennie@uwyo.edu



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A Look at the Usage Data

Between January of 2024
and August of 2025

The Park, Natrona, and Goshen County
Library Booths hosted a cumulative:

- 192 total users
- 19,033 minutes of use

Park County

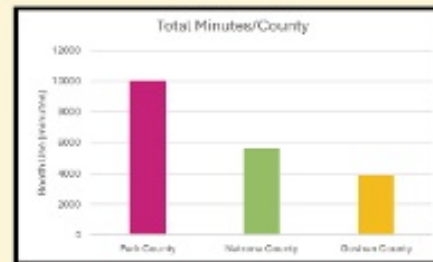
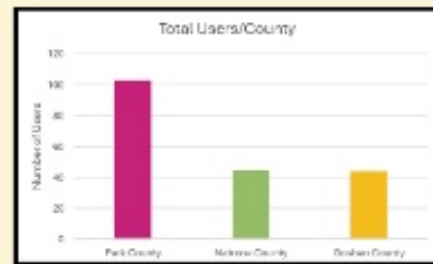
- 10,030 minutes total, 528 minutes/month
- 103 total users, 5.7 users/month

Natrona County

- 5,640 minutes total, 267 minutes/month
- 45 total users, 2.3 users/month

Goshen County

- 3,843 minutes total, 202 minutes/month
- 44 total users, 2.4 users/month



In addition to 1:1 Telehealth Appointments

- Library staff reported patrons regularly coming into the booth to use the accessory health equipment, like blood pressure cuffs and scales, located in the booths.
- The space is frequently used for a quiet private space to access healthcare information.
- In Goshen County, a HeartCorps member promoted the booth within the community and utilized the booth to conduct educational webinars.

These data are exciting!

They demonstrate there is need and excitement surrounding the booths, and now we need to focus on getting the word out!

Currently, we're working to connect with providers' licenses in WY, to make sure they know this community resource exists!

Please reach out!

If you know of any providers who may be able to use this resource, or are interested in learning more about the PATHS project, please reach out to Kristen Glennie by email at kglennie@uwyo.edu or by phone at 307-766-3007



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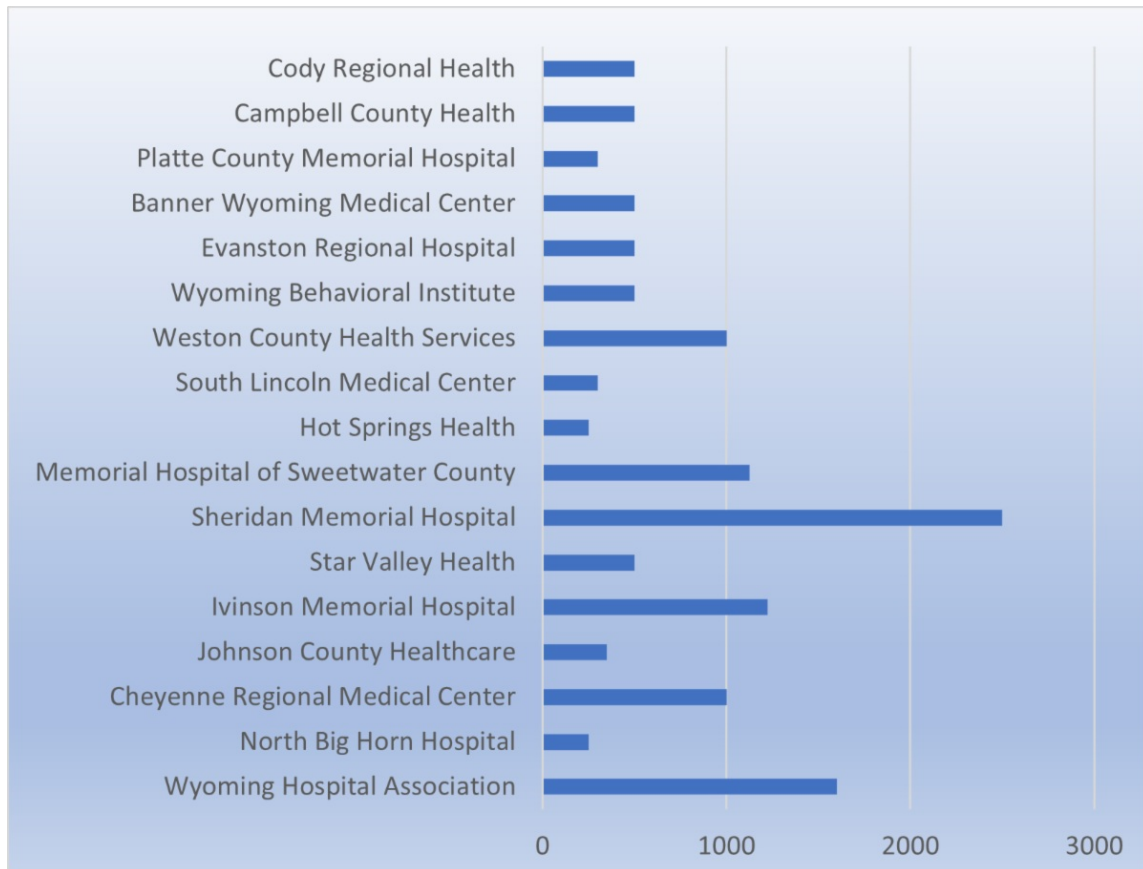


2026 Wyoming Budget Session
February 9, 2026

WHA Annual Meeting
September 9-10, 2026
Little America, Cheyenne

WHA PAC Goal for 2025

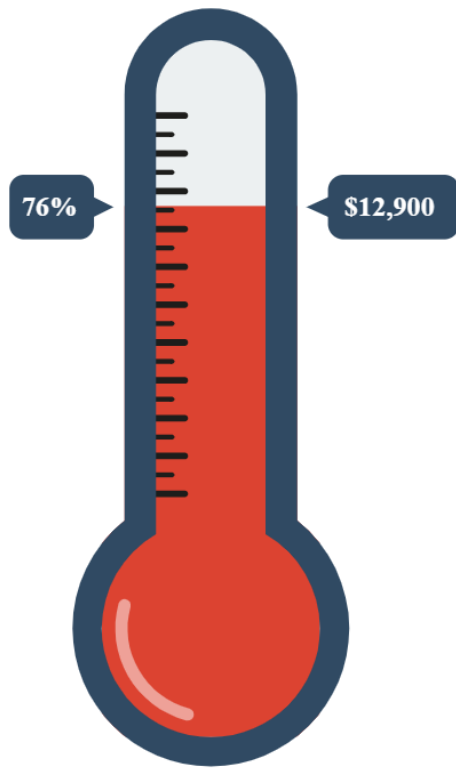
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