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| **Meeting/Project Name:** | ORD SPR Advisory Group Monthly Meeting | | |
| **Date of Meeting:** | Tuesday, May 28th , 2024 | **Time:** | 3:00-4:00 PM ET |
| **Meeting Facilitator:** | J. Constans | **Location:** | MS Teams |

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| MEETING OBJECTIVE |
| Provide the committee with updates and address next steps for future initiatives and projects |

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| ATTENDEES LIST *(check mark indicates attendance)* | | | |
| **Committee Members:** | ☒ Dr. Bob O'Brien  ☒ Dr. Joseph Constans | ☐ Dr. Miriam Smyth  ☒ Dr. Peter Hunt | ☐ Dr. Vetisha McClair |
| **Advisory Group:** | ☒ Dr. Steven Dobscha  ☒ Dr. Stephanie Gamble  ☐ Dr. Brian Marx  ☒ Dr. Bradley V. Watts  ☒ Dr. Edgar Villarreal | ☒ Dr. Stephen O’Connor  ☐ Dr. Susan Strickland  ☒ Dr. Melissa Mehalick  ☒ Dr. David Atkins | ☐ Dr. Wendy Tenhula  ☒ Dr. Lisa Brenner  ☐ Dr. Matthew Miller  ☒ Dr. Jodie Trafton |
| **Others:** | ☒ Caroline Mwonga  ☒ Carol Fowler |  |  |
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| **Support Staff:** | ☒ Imani Braxton-Allen (Titan Alpha) |  |  |

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| MEETING NOTES |
| **Agenda:**   * **Summarize our efforts and discuss the process for the Voting session.**   **Notes:**   * 5 Key Priority Areas based on the survey:   1. Lethal Means Safety approaches to suicide prevention​   2. Community-based interventions for suicide prevention​   3. Family and social network-based interventions and postventions​   4. Psychotherapies and other non-somatic interventions for suicide prevention​   5. Suicide risk screening, evaluation effectiveness, and processes within VA; predictive analytics * SME Survey Results   + - Perceived Advantages & Disadvantages to Funding Each Priority       * Lethal Means Safety         + 70% decedents die by firearm         + Realistic chance to change numbers of death         + Has a VA cohort who can conduct         + Frequent congressional inquires         + OMHSP has contracted for messaging         + Measuring attitudinal/behavior change = large expense       * Community         + Highly valued by VEC         + 2/3 decedents outside of VA         + Involves other priority domains         + Measuring impact is difficult         + Unclear to have a significant change         + Unclear sufficient # of investigators       * Family, Social Network         + Understudied area         + Veteran support         + Involves other priority domains         + Existing studies underdeveloped         + Unlikely to have short-term impact       * Psychotherapies         + Precision medicine synchronize with risk ID         + Direct importance to clinicians         + Unclear feasibility of large trial         + Unclear if it will have impact on total number of deaths       * Risk, Predictive Analysis         + SPC priority         + Can reduce current burden         + Can inform clinical touchpoints         + Can advance precision medicine         + Need OSP support         + Can models be developed by OSP? * Advisory Group Temperature Check:   + In advance of the Consensus Panel meeting, the advisor group was polled on April 23rd, on which topic areas the portfolio should prioritize for research. This served as a temperature check on where the interest was across the priority areas. The two priorities that individuals indicated should be a top priority were Risk, Predictive Analytics and Lethal Means Safety. The Consensus Panel meeting will be the next step and the formal survey.   + **Results:**     - **Lethal means safety (4)**     - **Risk, Predictive Analytics (5)**     - **Psychotherapy Research (2)**     - **Community Research (0)**     - **Family, Social Network Research (0)**       * Consensus Panel Meeting Voting         + Voting Panel: Dr. Wendy Tenhula, Dr. David Atkins, Dr. Kara Beck, Dr. Mathew Miller, Dr. Susan Strickland, Dr. Edgar Villareal, Dr. Jodi Trafton, Dr. Bradley (Vince) Watts, Dr. Stephen O’Connor, Dr. Melissa Mehalick   *All other members of the advisory group are non-voting members due to potential conflict (requesting funding from ORD).*   * + - * + Voting will occur next Tuesday, June 4th , 2024         + Dr. Atkins will not be able to attend the meeting but will watch the recording of the panel meeting and will submit within a week of the voting session.         + **Objective:** Convene the Executive Committee to rank Critical Research Priorities in order of importance. The members will review the process taken to arrive to the 5 identified priorities and then complete a live survey to tank the priorities from #1-#5         + **Key discussion questions:**   What research domain would be the most impacted by additional funding? Where can funding “push the needle”?  Where is VA well positioned across these research domains to create impact?   * + - * + **Outcome:** The AMP will develop Suicide Prevention Notices of Special interest to solicit research applications for the top priorities * Informing the field of Suicide Prevention AMP Priority Access   + Consider a publication   + Presentation at the VA/DoD Suicide Prevention Meeting during July of 2024   + Potentially creating a table, crosswalk for the VA/DoD Clinical Practice Guidelines to accompany the article * Next Steps   + June 25- NOSIs     - Broad     - Priority NOSI   + July 25     - Review of existing portfolio     - Review budget for FY25   + Possibly changing the frequency/cadence of meetings |
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| **ACTION ITEMS** |  |
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