



RESEARCH PRIORITIZATION TASK FORCE GOAL

CORE VALUES & OPERATING PRINCIPLES:

CORE VALUES: Through this research agenda development process, the Task Force seeks to produce a final agenda in which the very best science is represented as the highest priority. The Task Force seeks to do this by using procedures that promote inclusiveness, innovation and accountability.

THE GENERAL PRINCIPLES guiding the process are:

- **Timeliness:** We will take relatively prompt steps to meet established timelines.
- **Accuracy:** We will proceed in a way that minimizes the possibility of bias, inconsistencies or errors once the process has been completed.
- **Balanced Input:** We will design an input system with optimal variation in the choice of stakeholder groups surveyed.



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CORE VALUES & OPERATING PRINCIPLES (CONTINUED):

- **Adequate Sampling:** We will provide for an adequate sampling approach for stakeholder groups.
- **Critical Review:** We will give due consideration to what suicide research already has been completed and identify the important gaps that currently exist.
- **Structured Decision-Making:** We will develop plans for prioritization of research topics.
- **Transparency and Public Access:** We will build transparency into the process by ensuring public access to agendas and minutes and a way for unsolicited input to be received and considered.
- **Adequate Dissemination:** We will implement a plan for dissemination of information on the agenda development process and on the final agenda.
- **Long-term Maintenance:** We will create protocols to ensure that the agenda becomes a “living document.”