

# Columbia University TeenScreen® Program

A Collaborative Opportunity with  
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at the Division of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry  
Columbia University

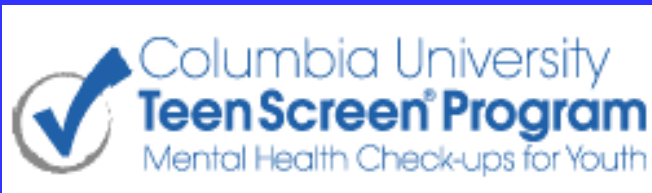


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- **7-12 million youth suffer from mental illness**
  - **2 out of 3 do not receive treatment**
- **Suicide = 3<sup>rd</sup> cause of death in 15-19 year-olds**
- **3 million youth are at risk for suicide**
  - **yet only 36% receive treatment**
- **Effective screening tools are available**
- **Effective treatments are available**

# ADOLESCENT DEPRESSION

- **Affects 750,000 teens at any one time**
- **Directly or indirectly results in 1,700 suicides per year**
- **60–80 percent will go undiagnosed and untreated**

# 12-MONTH INCIDENCE OF SUICIDAL IDEATION & BEHAVIOR

—U.S. HIGH-SCHOOL STUDENTS—

*(2001, N=13,601)*

|  | <b>RATE</b>          | <b>TEENS 15–19</b>   |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Ideation</b>                                | <b>19.0% (± 1.4)</b> | <b>(3.8 million)</b> |
| <b>Ideation with plan</b>                      | <b>14.8% (± 1.1)</b> | <b>(3.0 million)</b> |
| <b>Attempt</b>                                 | <b>8.8% (± 0.8)</b>  | <b>(1.8 million)</b> |
| <b>Attempt requiring<br/>medical attention</b> | <b>2.6% (± 0.4)</b>  | <b>(520,000)</b>     |
| <b>SUICIDE (age 15–19)*</b>                    | <b>.008%</b>         | <b>(1,639)</b>       |

\* Anderson et al. 2002; Grunbaum et al. 2002 (YRBS), U.S. Census 2000

# LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH IN 15- TO 19-YEAR-OLDS

— UNITED STATES, 2000 —

| CAUSE                                | # OF DEATHS |               |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Accidents                            | 6755        |               |
| Homicide                             | 1914        |               |
| <b>Suicide</b>                       | <b>1621</b> |               |
| Cancer                               | 745         | } <b>1639</b> |
| Heart Disease                        | 403         |               |
| Congenital Anomalies                 | 225         |               |
| Chronic Lower<br>Respiratory Disease | 86          |               |
| Stroke                               | 67          |               |
| Influenza and Pneumonia              | 65          |               |
| Diabetes                             | 48          |               |

# STATE RANK 2000

## — 15- TO 24-YEAR-OLDS —

| STATE            | DEATHS | POPULATION | RATE | STATE             | DEATHS | POPULATION | RATE |
|------------------|--------|------------|------|-------------------|--------|------------|------|
| 1 Alaska         | 49     | 108,096    | 45.3 | 27 D.C.           | 7      | 60,374     | 11.6 |
| 2 New Mexico     | 63     | 2,64,568   | 23.8 | 28 North Carolina | 117    | 1,031,862  | 11.3 |
| 3 Arizona        | 129    | 689,404    | 18.7 | 29 Louisiana      | 77     | 699,897    | 11.0 |
| 4 South Dakota   | 20     | 116,792    | 17.1 | 30 Iowa           | 46     | 418,254    | 11.0 |
| 5 Nevada         | 40     | 244,742    | 16.3 | 31 Alabama        | 68     | 620,536    | 11.0 |
| 6 North Dakota   | 16     | 99,882     | 16.0 | 32 Texas          | 340    | 3,114,716  | 10.9 |
| 7 Oregon         | 74     | 463,292    | 16.0 | 33 Washington     | 91     | 836,357    | 10.9 |
| 8 Nebraska       | 38     | 254,056    | 15.0 | 34 Hawaii         | 18     | 166,282    | 10.8 |
| 9 Maine          | 25     | 167,180    | 15.0 | 35 Maryland       | 72     | 672,606    | 10.7 |
| 10 Montana       | 20     | 134,685    | 14.8 | 36 Pennsylvania   | 159    | 1,532,267  | 10.4 |
| 11 Vermont       | 12     | 81,058     | 14.8 | 37 Rhode Island   | 13     | 125,996    | 10.3 |
| 12 Colorado      | 88     | 597,225    | 14.7 | 38 Minnesota      | 71     | 700,320    | 10.1 |
| 13 Idaho         | 31     | 211,470    | 14.7 | 39 Florida        | 186    | 1,869,606  | 9.9  |
| 14 Utah          | 62     | 428,402    | 14.5 | 40 Michigan       | 133    | 1,382,271  | 9.6  |
| 15 Wyoming       | 11     | 79,924     | 13.8 | 41 Ohio           | 141    | 1,569,303  | 9.0  |
| 16 Oklahoma      | 68     | 508,277    | 13.4 | 42 Illinois       | 146    | 1,677,845  | 8.7  |
| 17 Wisconsin     | 99     | 768,160    | 12.9 | 43 South Carolina | 48     | 560,521    | 8.6  |
| 18 Tennessee     | 94     | 749,898    | 12.5 | 44 Virginia       | 82     | 975,645    | 8.4  |
| 19 Arkansas      | 46     | 368,851    | 12.5 | 45 Connecticut    | 32     | 392,893    | 8.1  |
| 20 Kansas        | 50     | 404,295    | 12.4 | 46 New York       | 173    | 2,337,475  | 7.4  |
| 21 Missouri      | 96     | 777,522    | 12.3 | 47 New Hampshire  | 11     | 155,465    | 7.1  |
| 22 Kentucky      | 70     | 575,494    | 12.2 | 48 Massachusetts  | 53     | 762,804    | 6.9  |
| 23 Georgia       | 137    | 1,133,356  | 12.1 | 49 Delaware       | 7      | 101,824    | 6.9  |
| 24 West Virginia | 30     | 249,685    | 12.0 | 50 California     | 322    | 4,852,602  | 6.6  |
| 25 Indiana       | 101    | 842,454    | 12.0 | 51 New Jersey     | 60     | 994,675    | 6.0  |
| 26 Mississippi   | 52     | 436,047    | 11.9 | TOTAL             | 3,994  | 38,367,211 | 10.4 |

# HIGH RISK FOR SUICIDE

- **Boys** at much higher risk than girls
- **Among Boys :**
  - Previous suicide attempt(s) (28%)
  - Age 16 or over
  - Associated mood disorder (60%)
  - Associated substance abuse (42%)
- **Among Girls:**
  - Mood disorder (68%)
  - Previous suicide attempt(s) (50%)



# SUICIDE RATES DURING ADOLESCENCE

— UNITED STATES, AGES 10–24, 2000 —

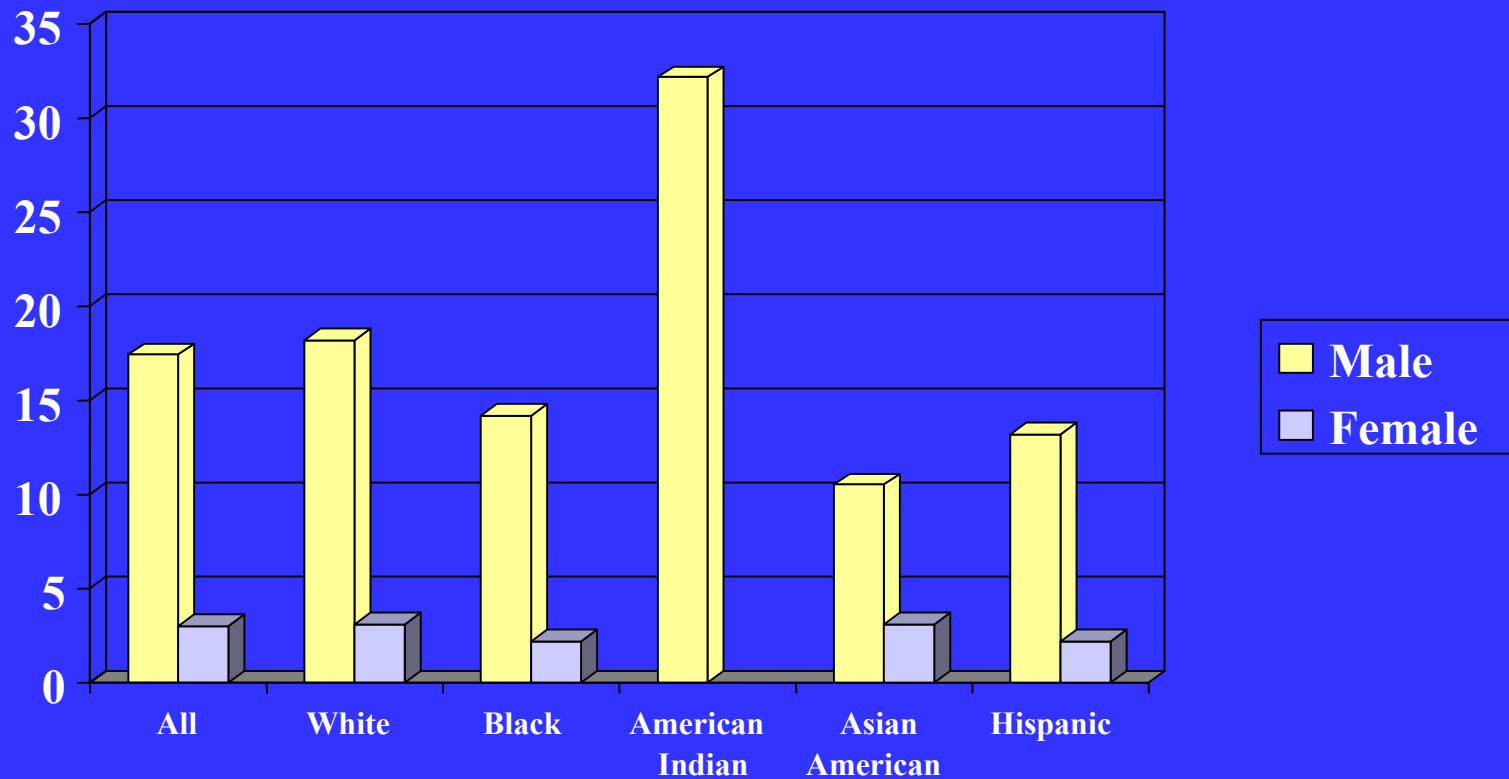
Rate per  
100,000

Age

Source: CDC 2002 (WISQARS)

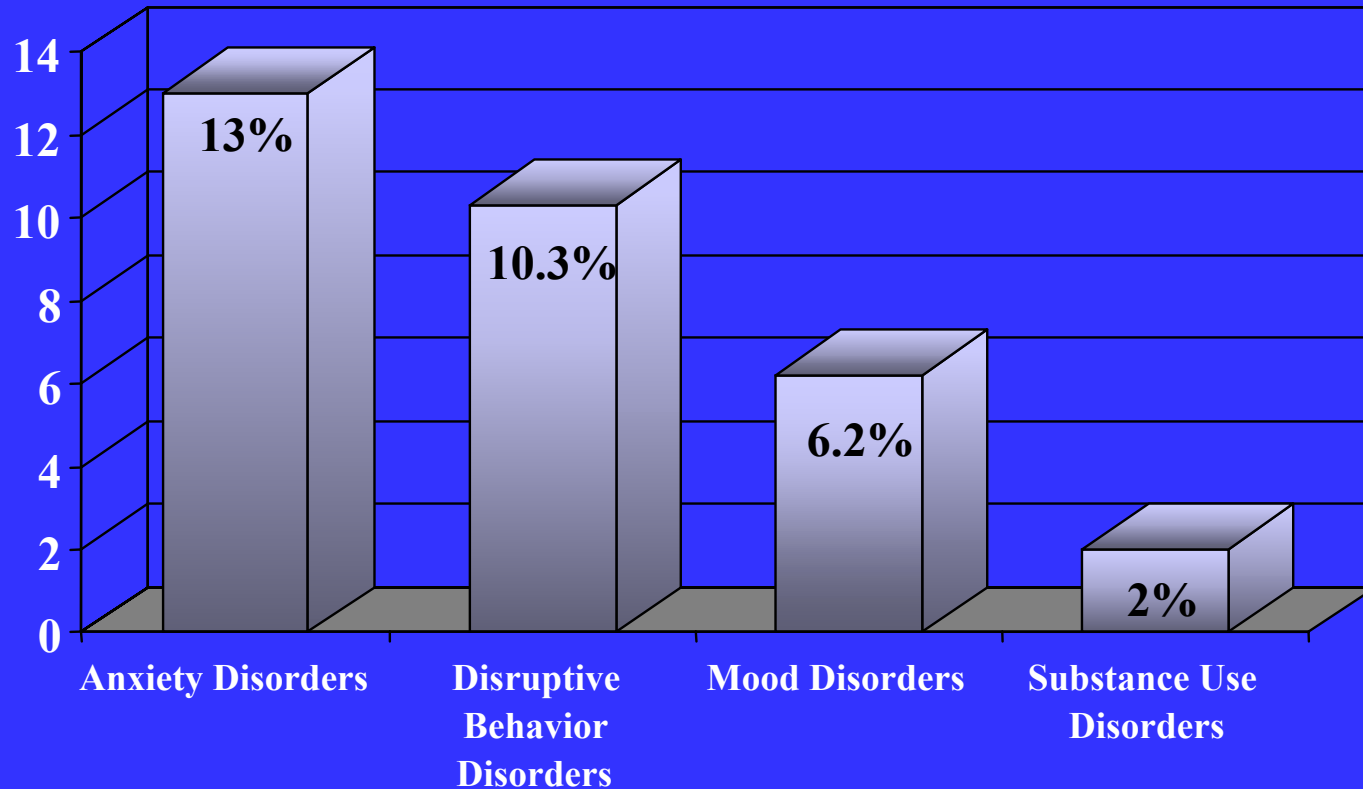
# SUICIDE RATES FOR 2000

## Ages 15-24, by Race and Gender



Source: National Vital Statistics Report, 2002 (rates per 100,000)

# PREVALENCE OF MENTAL DISORDERS U.S. Children and Adolescents Aged 9-17



# **PSYCHIATRIC DISORDER IN ADOLESCENT SUICIDE**

- **90% of teens who commit suicide suffer from mental illness**
- **63% are symptomatic for more than a year before their suicides**
- **The most common risk factors are:**
  - 1. Mood disorder**
  - 2. Drug/alcohol abuse**
  - 3. Past suicide attempt**

# ONSET OF ANY PSYCHIATRIC SYMPTOMS BEFORE A SUICIDE

*(N=121)*

## TIME BEFORE DEATH%

**> 12 months                      63%**

**3–12 months                      13%**

**< 3 months                      4%**

# COMPLICATIONS OF UNTREATED DEPRESSION IN ADOLESCENCE

## SCHOOL

- Deteriorating schoolwork
- School absenteeism
- Held back or fail to get to college

## HOME

- Strained relations with parents and siblings

## PEERS

- Withdrawal leading to reduced support system

## SELF

- Distress
- Increased chance of smoking, excess alcohol, and drugs
- Potential for suicide

# MENTAL HEALTH AND ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT IN YOUTH

**Depression**



**Lower levels of school performance, high scholastic anxiety, poor peer and teacher relationships**

**Anxiety Disorders**



**Drug use and dependence, suicidal behavior and reduced likelihood of attending college**

**Suicidal Behavior**



**Lower levels of school performance and school connectedness**

**Substance Abuse/Dependence**



**Lower levels of school performance**

Based on a literature review of the following: Fosterling & Binser (2002), Masi et al. (2001), Marmorstein (2001), Woodward et al. (2001), Slap et al. (2001), Alatorre & de Los Reyes (1999), Chen et al. (1995), Reinherz et al. (1993).

**THE  
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# **COLUMBIA TEENSCREEN PROGRAM**

## **– HISTORY –**

### **1991: Pilot Study**

- **Funded by NIMH and CDC**
- **8 screening sites in metro NY**
- **2,000 subjects**

### **1995: Public Service Screening Projects Begin**

- **24 screening projects in metro NY**

### **1998: Follow-Up Study**

- **533 subjects**

### **1999: National TeenScreen Program Launch**

### **2003: PATH Launch**

**To Date: 91 sites trained in 29 states,  
Guam, Panama and Canada**

# **COLUMBIA TEENSCREEN PROGRAM**

**- HOW WE WORK -**

- **Partnership with communities across the nation to implement early-identification programs for suicide and mental illness in youth**
- **Screening programs based on the Columbia TeenScreen Program will be adapted to the specific needs and resources of each community**
- **Education, staff training, and consultation in the development and implementation of a screening program**

# POTENTIAL SCREENING SITES

- **Schools**
- **School-Based Health Centers**
- **Residential Treatment Facilities**
- **Clinics**
- **Drop-In Centers**
- **Summer Camps**
- **Shelters**
- **Pediatrician's Offices**

# COLUMBIA TEENSCREEN PROGRAM

— WHAT WE OFFER —

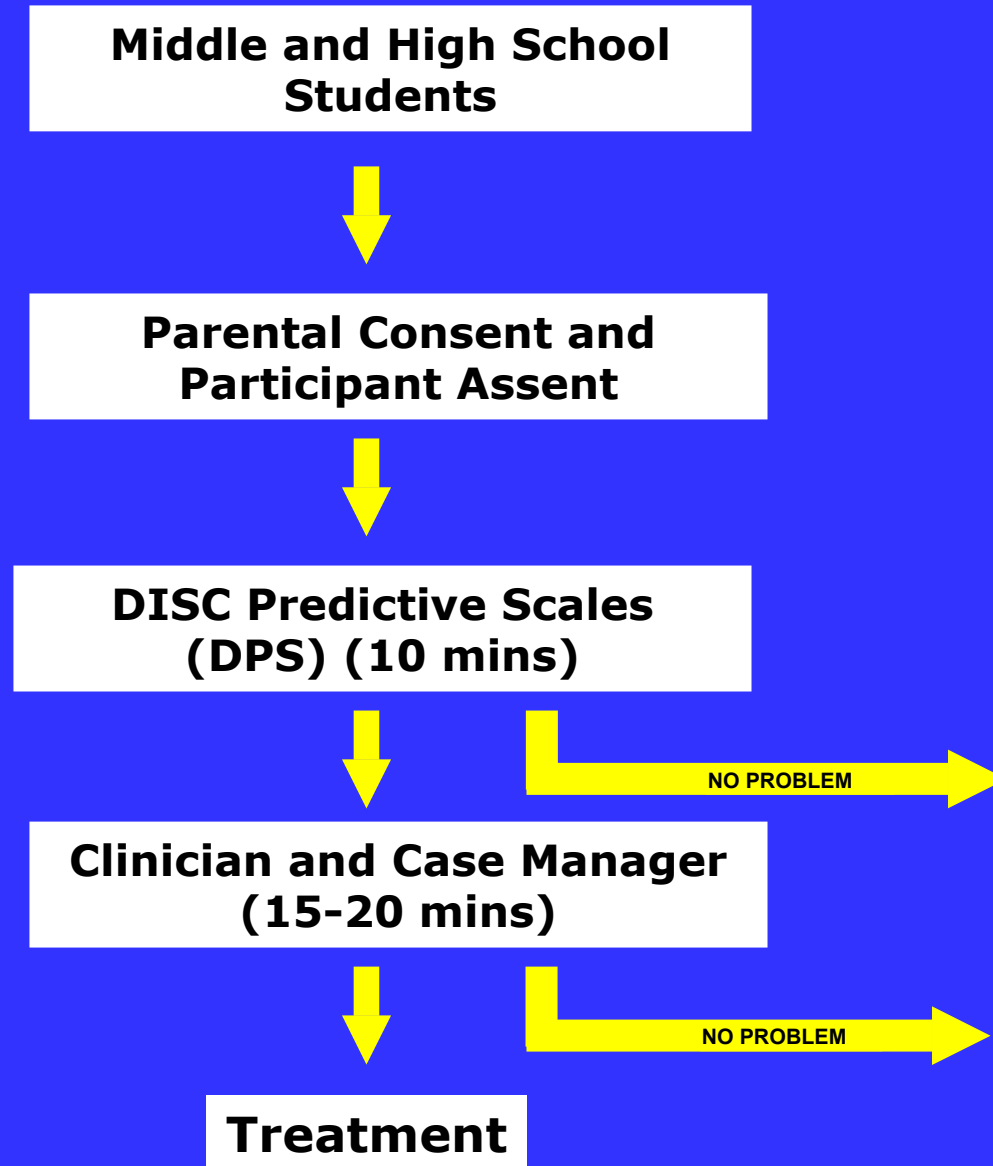
- **Pre-training consultation**
- **Training**
- **Screening instruments**
- **Post-training technical assistance**
- **Screening materials**

# **COLUMBIA TEENSCREEN PROGRAM**

**- WHAT WE REQUIRE -**

- **Completion of Site Application**
- **Letter of Agreement**
- **Minimum of 200 youth screened per yr**
- **Biannual reporting of screening results**
- **Commitment to screening routinization**

# UNIVERSAL SCREENING MODEL



# **DPS CHARACTERISTICS**

## **(DISC Predictive Scales)**

- **Self-completion mental health *screen***
- **9-17 year-olds**
- **Covers: social phobia, generalized anxiety disorder, panic disorder, OCD, major depression, alcohol abuse, marijuana abuse and other substance abuse**
- **Layperson administration & scoring**
- **5-10 minute duration**
- **Computerized and paper and pencil versions**
- **English and Spanish versions**
- **Automatic report with symptoms and impairment**
- **33% positive rate**

# — TAKING THE DPS —





# CLINICAL INTERVIEW

- Review results of the screen
- Triage decision
- Diagnostic impression
- Clinical summary

# **ROLE OF CASE MANAGER**

- **Informs parents of screening results and makes appointments**
- **Awareness of available resources**
- **Provides screening results to treatment provider**
- **Assists families until connection is made**
- **Promotes attendance at first appointment**

# SUMMARY

## *Screening in Mid-adolescence Identifies*

- Students at risk for suicide
- Students who are now in distress from depression and other psychiatric disorders
- Students who are not already in treatment or known by school personnel
- A high proportion of teens who will have a persistent depression and who will make a suicide attempt in their early twenties

**POSITIVE ACTION FOR  
TEEN HEALTH**

**-PATH-**

# **Positive Action for Teen Health PATH**

- **Mental health check-ups for all youth before high school graduation**
- **Promote a public health priority**
- **Move research into practice**
- **Forge partnerships with advocates, state departments of mental health, education associations and service agencies**
- **National Advisory Council launch on 1/28/03**
- **Media Launch on 2/20/03**

# **NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE ENDORSED MENTAL HEALTH CHECK-UPS FOR YOUTH**

- **American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry**
- **American Federation of Teachers**
- **American Mental Health Counselors Association**
- **American Psychiatric Association**
- **Anxiety Disorders Association of America**
- **Girls' and Boys' Town**
- **Child and Adolescent Bipolar Foundation**
- **Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance**
- **Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health**
- **International Society of Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurses**
- **National Association of County Behavioral Health Directors**
- **National Association of School Psychologists**
- **National Alliance for the Mentally Ill**
- **National Education Association**
- **School Social Work Association of America**
- **Tourette Syndrome Association**
- **United States Conference of Catholic Bishops**

# **RESULTS FROM OUR SURVEY OF 900 PARENTS**

- 1. 90% of parents believe that schools must play an important role in identifying students at risk for depression or suicide**
- 2. The majority of parents (74%) would support a screening program in their school**
- 3. Parents incorrectly believe that they would be able to tell if their teen was depressed. In reality only 1/3 of teens with mental health problems are known to parents or any adult**
- 4. 80% of parents believe that not nearly enough is being done to treat mental illness in teenagers**

“One boy identified through the TeenScreen Program was actively suicidal at the time of his screening. Not only did he screen positive for marijuana abuse on the DISC and show signs of depression in the clinical interview, but he also reported access to a firearm and to ammunition. The student, who had not been previously identified by school personnel, was rushed to an urgent care appointment at a local mental health clinic. As soon as they were notified, the parents removed the weapon from the house. Now that he is in treatment, the family reports great improvement.”

Substance abuse, depression and access to a firearm are a highly lethal combination – without the screening, this would probably have been another young life ended too soon.



# **COLUMBIA TEENSCREEN PROGRAM**

— HOW TO LEARN MORE —

**Contact the TeenScreen office at  
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