

HIGH RISK GROUPS FOR SUICIDE

1. Adolescents
2. Substance Abusers
3. Caucasian people
4. Elderly People
5. People with Serious & Persistent Mental Illness
6. Single People
7. People with a Physical Illness
8. Men
9. Unemployed & Retired People
10. People with a Family Hx of Suicide

“Suicide rates for teenagers have increased markedly since 1960, from 3.6 to 11.3 per 100,000. Suicide is now the third leading cause of death for youths ages 15 – 19 (Ivanoff & Riedel, 1995) and the second leading cause of death if the range is extended to age 24 (Faberow, Heilig, & Parad, 1990)”