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Teen Suicide Prevention Training to be held on Friday, May 13, 2011

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ORANGE COUNTY, NY – On Friday, May 13, Occupations, Inc. together with The Enlarged City School District of Middletown and Safe Schools/Healthy Students are very pleased to offer training and discussion on the topic of Teen Suicide Prevention, an issue that has affected everyone. The training is open to clinicians, teachers, guidance counselors and parents and will held at the Brookside Manor from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There is a strong movement to educate people on teen suicide and the warning signs. Presenting on this topic will be Dr. David Rudd, Dean of the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences at the University of Utah and scientific director for the National Center for Veterans Studies at the University. Dr. Rudd has authored and co-authored well over one hundred publications with a particular focus on suicidality. Dr. Rudd has served as a consultant to many organizations nationally and internationally, including the United States Air Force, the U.S. Army, the Department of Defense and the Beijing Suicide Prevention and Research Center.

This training will review the full spectrum of issues with the teen population and will provide a clear theoretical model for understanding suicidal ideation and behavior with advanced tools needed to enhance their clinical practice with regard to suicide prevention. This is your opportunity to utilize role playing, demonstrations, and videotaping to practice these tools.

There is no charge for this event – **SPACE IS LIMITED**. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. If interested in attending, please call (845) 692-4454, ext. 149 or email smarshall@occupations.org.

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