# revention



## **Statistics**

<u>Drug related deaths and suicides in prison custody</u> The ONS have released their latest analysis of drug-related deaths and suicides in England and Wales, 2008 to 2016. Male prisoners in England and Wales were 3.7 times more likely to die from suicide than men in the general population and had the same risk of dying from a drug-related poisoning.

Middle-aged generation most likely to die by suicide and drug poisoning Now in their 40s and 50s, a generation of people born in the 1960s and 70s are dying in greater numbers by suicide or drug poisoning than any other age group according to data from the ONS. This effect has also been seen in the USA and Canada.

### **Paper**

<u>Prevention</u> This paper from the Children's Safety Network synthesizes findings from recent systematic reviews conducted or disseminated by organizations that specialize in evidence-based public health. It highlights strategies that have been identified as preventing and reducing child and adolescent injury, including in relation to violence and self-harm.

# Report

<u>Exclusion from school in Wales – the hidden cost</u> Samaritans Cymru has released a new report on the causes and damaging effects exclusion from school in Wales. The report highlights school exclusion's connection to a cycle of inequality and the urgency of addressing the issue due to its link to suicide risk.

### **Project**

New project in North London targets Irishmen facing higher risk of suicide A new project has been launched at the London Irish Centre, Camden, to help Irish middle-aged men who are living with mental health problems and have a higher risk of suicide. The project aims to test the effectiveness of a 'peer support' approach to suicide prevention, in the hope that it could be extended across the country.

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