HOW TO PREVENT SUICIDE EVENTS AT THE COMMUNITY LEVEL

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**Background** The Safe Community movement has spent 35 years developing local prevention of accidents, 15–20 years to prevent injuries caused by violence and a decade or so trying to meet the expectations of communities facing a growing problem of preventing suicidal episodes.

**Panel participants** Dr Choung Ah Lee, MD, S Korea: The role of hospital and emergency departments in suicide prevention; Professor Lars-Gunnar Horte, Sweden: How common are suicidal events? Epidemiological issues; Professor Jan Beskow, Sweden: Accidents and Suicide attempts- two sides of the same coin? Professor Leif Svanstrom, Karolinska Institutet, Sweden: The role of the International Safe Community Movement in preventing suicidal events.