**Supplemental Web Table.** National Violent Death Reporting System Definitions of Precipitating and Preceding Circumstances of Suicide

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| Precipitating Circumstance | Definition |
| Mental Health Problems | Decedent was perceived by self or others to be depressed, or had been identified as having a mental health disorder or syndrome listed in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, with the exception of alcohol and other substance dependence. |
| Current Depressed Mood | Decedent was perceived by self or others to be depressed at the time of death. |
| History of Mental Health Treatment | Decedent had a history of mental health treatments, such as having been hospitalized for psychiatric problems or receiving therapy for mental health problems. |
| Current Mental Health Treatment | Decedent was receiving mental health treatment around the time of death. |
| History of Suicide Attempt | Decedent was known to have made previous suicide attempts, regardless of the severity of those attempts. |
| Alcohol Use Problems | Decedent was perceived by self or others to have a problem with, or to be addicted to alcohol. |
| Other Substance Abuse Problems | Decedent was perceived by self or others to have a problem with, or to be addicted to drugs or substances other than alcohol or tobacco. |
| Alcohol Use Immediately Prior to Suicide | Witness or investigator reports (such as law enforcement notes) or circumstantial evidence (e.g., empty alcohol bottles around suicide decedent) indicate that the decedent had been using alcohol in the hours preceding the suicide. |
| Intimate Partner Problems | Decedent was having problems with a current or former intimate partner, and these problems appeared to have contributed to the suicide. |
| Other Relationship Problems | Decedent was having problems with a family member, friend, or associate (other than a current or former intimate partner), and these problems appeared to have contributed to the suicide. |
| Financial Problems | Decedent was experiencing problems, such as bankruptcy, overwhelming debt, or foreclosure of a home or business. |
| Eviction or Loss of Housing | A recent eviction or other loss of housing, or the threat of it, appears to have contributed to the decedent’s death. |
| Job Problems | Decedent was either experiencing a recent problem at work or was having a problem with joblessness. |
| Criminal or Civil Legal Problems | Decedent was facing criminal legal problems or civil legal problems (e.g., a child custody or civil lawsuit) that appeared to be associated with the suicide. |
| Recent Crisis | Decedent experienced a crisis within 2 weeks of the death, or a crisis was imminent within 2 weeks of the incident that was not associated with another circumstance variable. For example, a recent crisis could include having divorce papers delivered the morning of the suicide, or an elderly person finding out the day before the suicide that he has to go to a nursing home. |
| Left a Suicide Note | Decedent left a suicide note (or other recorded communication). The suicide note can be written or electronic. |
| Disclosed History of Suicidal Thoughts | Decedent disclosed their thoughts or plans to commit suicide to another person. Disclosure of suicidal thoughts or plan can be verbal, written or electronic. |
| Disclosed History of Suicidal Intent | Decedent disclosed intentions to commit suicide to another person. Not coded if this intent was only at the moment of the suicide. Not coded if this was only disclosed in a suicide note (coded as “Left a Suicide Note”). |