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CHCC CGC certifies GCA staff in in suicide intervention training

The Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation (CHCC) Community Guidance Center (CGC) on July 31, 2021, certified 28 employees of Grace Christian Academy in Question, Persuade, and Refer (QPR).

QPR is an evidence-based suicide intervention training program that teaches participants how to recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to question, persuade, and refer someone to help.

Since 2018, the CGC QPR trainers have certified 1,088 individuals in the CNMI (864 from Saipan, 97 from Tinian, and 127 from Rota).

The training session was facilitated by Mia Jones and was made possible with support from the Garrett Lee Smith Youth Suicide Prevention Program grant administered by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

For more information on QPR, please visit <https://qprinstitute.com/>. For more information and to request for the CGC's QPR training, please visit <https://chcc.gov.mp/communitysupporttraining.php>, or contact the CGC Suicide Prevention Program at (670) 323-6560.

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