Reducing suicide and its impact on Queenslanders

Suicide and Self-Harm Prevention Conference
Cairns 2015

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x30 ATTEMPTS FOR EVERY SUICIDE

627 PEOPLE

3/4 MEN

MORE ATTEMPTS BY WOMEN

6+ AFFECTED BY EVERY SUICIDE

QUEENSLAND
Rates over time (Queensland)
Suicide Prevention Action Plan

Proposed Goal

To reduce suicide and its impact on Queenslanders

• *What measures will tell us we are succeeding?*
Priority Areas

• Stronger community resilience & capacity
• Improved service system responses and capacity
• Focused support for vulnerable groups
• Strengthening the evidence base
Next steps

- Discussion paper
- Your ideas
  - Specific actions to realign existing resources or argue for more by 31 Jul 2015
- September 2015
  - Agreed actions for 18 months
- September 2016
  - Progress and renew actions