Section E

A Conceptual Framework for Suicidality
Macro-Level Environment
Gun-control legislation
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Macro-Level Environment

Community Environment

Risk
- Media portrayal

Protection
- Access to mental health services
- Monitoring of alcohol use
- Opportunities to contribute
- Caring adults
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Macro-Level Environment

Community Environment

Family

Risk
- Separation/divorce
- Discord
- Psychopathology
- Neglectful parenting
- Parent-child conflict
- Low maternal responsiveness
- Harsh parental discipline
- Access to guns in home
- History of suicide

Protection
- Connectedness to parents
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- Drop out
- Hostile school environment
- Victimization
- Social isolation
- History of suicide

- Suicide prevention education
- Connectedness to schools
- Academic performance
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**Risk**
- Low serotonin
- Physical/sexual abuse
- Low self-esteem
- Neuroticism
- Hopelessness
- Introversion
- Impulsivity
- Legal conflicts
- Interpersonal loss
- Substance abuse
- Unemployment
- GLBT
- Mental illness, mood disorders affective disorders, antisocial behaviors, anxiety disorders
- Academic problems

**Protection**
- Spirituality/ religiosity
- Adaptable temperament

**Unconfirmed**
- Family system dysfunction
- Parental death/loss

**Macro-Level Environment**

**Community**

**Family**

**School/Peers**