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Hi Supervisors,

Suicide is certainly a tragedy, but the agenda says clearly "Mental health conditions such as depression, bipolar disorder, and anxiety disorders, as well as substance abuse, relationship problems, and life stressors, are among the factors that can contribute to suicidal behavior." which means that this is another subcategory of mental health. It is probably better to integrate suicide prevention into Behavioral Health Services. Why do we need a separate study?

Although it would be instructive to find out how much agencies like HHSA, CDPH, and CDC did contribute to the suicide rate because of their COVID policies and mandates.

Regards,

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