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Don't Let Depression Go Too Far: Stop A Suicide Today
*Mental Health America of Greenville County and Upstate Colleges and Universities
 join forces in raising awareness of depression and suicide on college campuses*

Would you know what to do if someone told you they didn't want to live anymore?

Each year, almost 30,000 people die by suicide in the US, and seventy percent of those give warning signs or tell someone about it in advance.

In recognition of National Depression Screening Day, Mental Health America of Greenville County (MHAGC) will host informational booths and offer mental health screenings at various institutions of higher learning during the week of October 8th and host a *free educational event* on October 11, 2007.

The event entitled *Shattering Suicide Stigmas and Secrets* is open to the public and will feature keynote addresses by Nicole Southgate, a former Miss South Carolina contestant and Dr. David Cox, a Christian counselor and noted author. Informational booths and mental health screenings will also be available. For more information call 864-467-3598, visit www.mhagc.org, or e-mail michelle.morton@mhagc.org.

<p><u>October 8th 2007</u> University Center of Greenville 225 S. Pleasantburg Drive Greenville, SC 29607 <i>Screening Times:</i> 2:00pm-5:00pm</p>	<p><u>October 9th 2007</u> ECPI College of Technology 1001 Keys Dr Greenville, SC 29615 <i>Screening Times:</i> 10:30am-12:30pm</p>	<p><u>October 10th 2007</u> Webster University 250 Common Wealth Drive Greenville, SC 29607 <i>Screening Times:</i> 5:00pm-8:00pm</p>
<p>ITT Technical College 6 Independence Pointe Greenville, SC 29615 <i>Screening Times:</i> 5:30pm-7:30pm</p>		<p><u>October 11th 2007</u> <i>Shattering Suicide Stigmas and Secrets</i> Greenville Technical College TRC Auditorium 11:00am-1:00pm Keynote Speakers: Nicole Southgate, <i>Former Miss South Carolina Contestant</i> and Dr. David Cox, <i>Christian Counselor and Nationally Recognized Author</i></p>

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