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## General Comment

Regarding this proposal the idea itself is good for the fact that getting statistics regarding violent deaths could be very useful to help in the prevention of this matter. The part that raises questions is the agency proposing the idea, the CDC. Even though the CDC is the one to implement the National Violent Death Reporting System, I feel this information is better off coming from an agency like the FBI, the bureau of justice and involve the CDC if the statistics call for it. The reason I don't think the CDC should take full ownership of this proposal is because their purpose is DISEASE control and prevention, suicide and homicides are not always due to a disease like mental illness (if it is that's when the statistics should be shared with the CDC). Outside of mental illness homicides and suicides happen for many reason and for that I feel another agency would benefit more from these statistics. Just because the CDC reports leading causes of death at this time doesn't mean they should continue to put the information out there. Constantly "hysteria" is being created over things that are not necessary and then a couple months later you don't hear anything about the event/statistic that caused the hysteria. I truly believe the CDC has a large part to play in this because they gather these statistics and if they continue to expand on the data and statistics they are releasing the hysteria may only get worse.