

Mental Health for All Team Talks About

Mandatory Reporting



Brendan: Since we were talking to people about their mental health, we knew we might hear some people say they had thoughts about hurting themselves. So, we made sure it was really clear to people who were thinking about being in our study that we would have to tell someone else if they shared that they were thinking about hurting themselves.



Micah: We knew how hard it would be if someone shared this kind of information. So, we also came up with a plan about calling the project leader and staying with the person until Ariel or Katie was there.

Brendan: We practiced different types of situations to also help us figure out what kind of information we might need to report and how to help the person when they shared it.

Micah: We also practiced interrupting people to remind them we would have to report if they shared something about hurting themselves. Practicing really helped us feel prepared!



Katie: We also decided that for some of the information we wanted to learn, we didn't need to know who was sharing it. So, we also did a survey and didn't ask people to share their names or other personal information.