

HONORING LIFE IN NATIVE COMMUNITIES

NATIVE AMERICAN SUICIDE PREVENTION CLEARINGHOUSE

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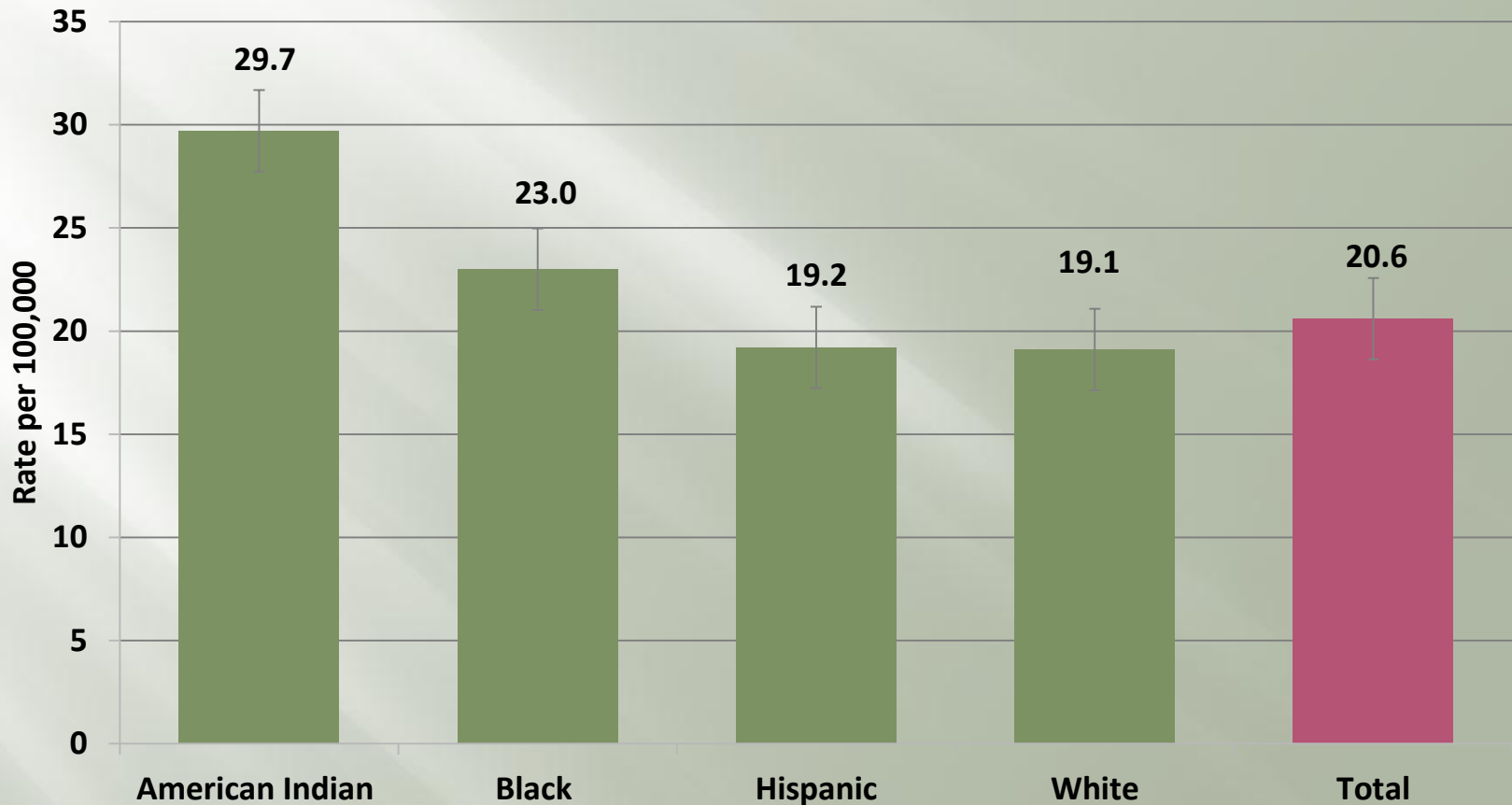
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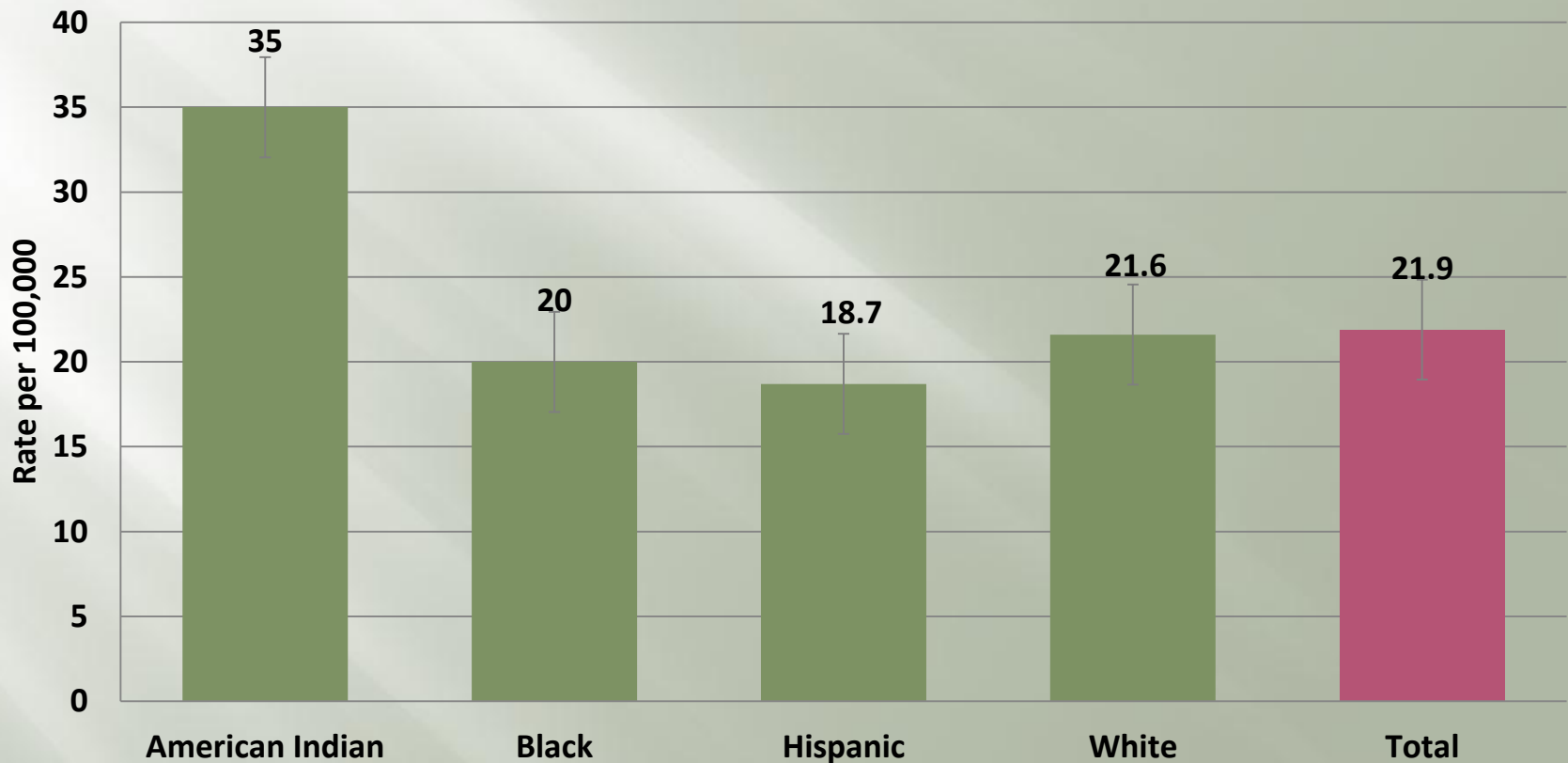


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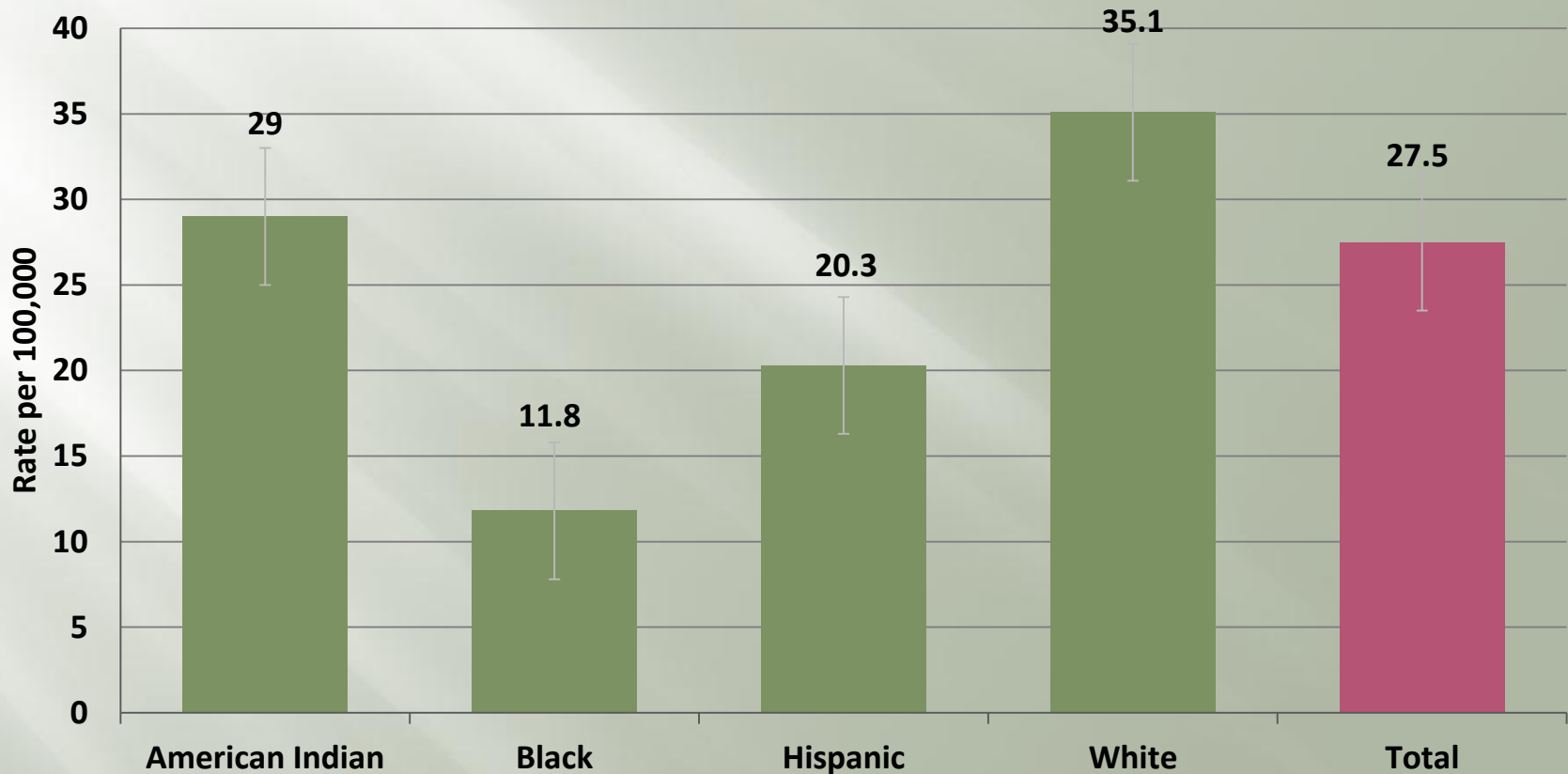
Source: NMBRVHS, NMDOH; BBER, UNM.

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Suicide rates among NM adults 25-64 years by race/ethnicity, 2007-2011



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Like Any Community...

- Stigma and other cultural barriers
- Awareness of warning signs
- Access to mental health supports/services
- Substance abuse issues
- Potential unique aspects related to historical trauma, cultural/community identity, or isolation

SB 417 – Clearinghouse

- Enacted initially on March 31, 2011 without funding
- FY13 funding: \$100,000 direct allocation to UNM via legislation
- Initial Plan for Clearinghouse
 - Technical assistance and support
 - Information and coordination
 - Resource development
- At request of state and other partners has been based out of Center for Rural and Community Behavioral Health (CRCBH)

CRCBH Initiatives Since Enactment

- Inform and engage tribes and other partners to assess the scope of the problem
- Partnership on development of tailored strategies with interested tribal communities
- Website development:
www.honoringnative.org
- Grant-writing support, consultation and training
- Development of process for statewide advisory board/committee

Tribal Collaboration Meetings to Date

- All Indian Pueblo Council
- Acoma Behavioral Health Clinical leadership
- Albuquerque Area Inter-Tribal Council on Substance Abuse
- Sandia Pueblo provider Dr. Thomas Carey
- Thoreau Community Center Board and Community
- Pueblo of Nambe
- Pueblo of San Felipe
- Pueblo of Zuni

Planned Initiatives

- Statewide youth development activities such as leadership and life skills
- Coordination of scarce behavioral health resources using available expertise
- Support culturally appropriate statewide training for tribes on suicide prevention
- Support data management within tribal communities to advance prevention efforts and grant-writing
- Coordinate spring 2013 Prevention Summit
- Seek funding to sustain the clearinghouse

Thank You

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