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Strategies to Prevent Suicide



Your ability to recognize the warning signs of suicide in yourself and others can mean the difference between life and death.

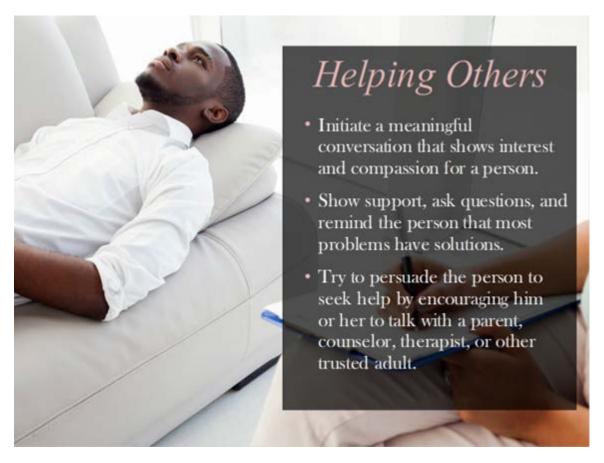
- Always take talk about committing suicide seriously
- Never bargain with someone who is thinking about suicide
- Any discussion about suicide requires immediate intervention

With adequate help and support, people suffering from depression, extreme stress, or other mental and emotional problems can find new purpose in life.



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Helping Others



It is critical to show concern and empathy toward someone who is thinking about suicide.

- Initiate a meaningful conversation that shows interest and compassion for a person.
- Show support, ask questions, and remind the person that most problems have solutions.
- Try to persuade the person to seek help by encouraging him or her to talk with a parent, counselor, therapist, or other trusted adult.

