### **Additional Resources**

New Jersey's 24/7 Peer Support and Suicide Prevention Hotline 1-855-NJ-HOPELINE (654-6735) http://www.njhopeline.com/

NJ Mental Health Cares 866-202-HELP (4357)

Peer Recovery WarmLine 877-292-5588

Crisis Text Line Text "NJ" to 741741

New Jersey Vet2Vet 866-VETS-NJ4 (838-7654)

COP 2 COP 866-COP-2COP (267-2267)

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-TALK (8255)





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## Warning Signs of Suicide

### Writing or talking about suicide, death, or the wish to die

- "I would be better off dead."
- "I have no reason to live."
- "Everyone would be happier if I weren't here."

### Buying or storing things that could be used for suicide

- Purchasing or collecting medications, guns and ammunition, or other weapons
- Searching the internet for suicide methods

### Preparing for their own death

- Making sure that children, pets, or elderly parents will be cared for
- Updating wills, making financial arrangements for paying bills after death
- Saying goodbye to loved ones
- □ Giving away possessions

## These signs are even more dangerous if the person has:

- ☐ Attempted suicide in the past
- A family member or close friend who died by suicide
- ☐ Plans to use and access to an effective suicide method (e.g., a gun)

# **Building Your Inner Sources of Strength**

### **Social Support System**

- Work to build and maintain strong bonds to your family and community.
- Identify and know people who can offer support or distraction in times of crisis.
- Reach out! Some people with depression or suicidal thoughts isolate themselves from others.
   Make the effort to reconnect.
- Identify your sources of strength.

#### **Positive Personal Traits**

- Keep a positive attitude toward seeking help when needed.
- Learn to improve impulse control, problem-solving, coping and conflict resolution.
- Use leisure time constructively.
- Make time for activities you enjoy.

#### **Access to Health Care**

- Make an effort to participate in therapy or treatment.
- Maintain your general health and wellness.

## **Everyone Has a Role in Helping to Prevent Suicide**

#### What You Can Do

- Know the common warning signs and risk factors.
- Be supportive, active & aware.
- Keep hotline numbers handy and use them when needed.
- Reach out and seek help learn about treatment options.
- Develop a Safety Plan (SP) and/or a Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP).

In an emergency call 911.

If you need help or know someone who does, contact the NJ Suicide Prevention HopeLine:
855-654-6735

Anonymous and confidential resource for youth:

2nd Floor Youth Helpline

888-222-2228

24 hours a day, 7 days a week