Increasing the Odds of Better Emergency Room Care for Suicidal Patients

What You Need to Know

How Important of a Role do Emergency Rooms Play in Suicide Prevention?

THOUSANDS OF PATIENTS 
visit emergency rooms each year for 
MENTAL HEALTH CONCERNS including anxiety, depression, and thoughts of suicide. 

What Can go Wrong at an Emergency Room?

What Can You do to Get the Help You Need in an Emergency Room?

If you are suicidal, tell a family member or friend you are having suicidal thoughts and need help. Tell them you would like them to take you to an emergency room.

When you arrive at the ER, tell the first person working at the ER that you are suicidal and need help immediately.

If you are a family member or friend helping the suicidal patient, tell the ER staff your friend or loved one is suicidal and needs help now.

Make sure the intake nurse writes in the records that the patient is suicidal. If they don’t, ask them to do so. ER staff may prematurely discharge the patient if not.

If the ER staff chooses to discharge a suicidal patient, ask questions. Have trained hospital staff members assessed your loved one for suicide?

If your loved one is not admitted as an inpatient, find out the reason.

Request safety plans from ER staff members. If no plan is presented, demand an explanation from the ER physician.

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