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**After a Crisis Call:**

**An evaluation of crisis hotline outcomes. Part 2: Suicidal callers.**
Gould MS, Kalafat J, Harrisunfakh J, Kleinman M.
Suicide Life Threat Behav. 2007 Jun;37(3):338-52.

This study evaluated the effectiveness of telephone crisis services/hotlines, examining proximal outcomes as measured by changes in callers' suicide state from the beginning to the end of their calls…
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**Emergency medical system responses to suicide-related calls --- Maine, November 1999--October 2000**
Published by CDC as MMWR 51(03);56-59, January 2002.

This report describes EMS suicide-related responses during November 1999 through October 2000 and indicates that EMS data would be a useful component of an integrated statewide suicidal behavior surveillance system. A chart of rates of suicide deaths and EMS response to non-institutionalized residents by sex and age group is included.
Free full-text at: [http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm5103a3.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm5103a3.htm)

**Outcome for psychiatric emergency patients seen by an outreach police-mental health team.**
Lamb HR, Shaner R, Elliott DM, DeCuir WJ Jr, Foltz JT.

The study examined whether outreach teams of mental health professionals and police officers could assess and make appropriate dispositions for psychiatric emergency cases in the community, even in situations involving violence or potential violence.
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After an attempt: A guide for medical providers in the emergency department taking care of suicide attempt survivors
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), 2006

Brochure intended to provide medical professionals with tips on how to enhance care in the emergency department for people who have attempted suicide. The guide also contains information on HIPAA, patient discharge, and resources about suicide for medical professionals, patients and their families. Free full-text at: [http://mentalhealth.samhsa.gov/publications/allpubs/SVP-0161/](http://mentalhealth.samhsa.gov/publications/allpubs/SVP-0161/)

After an attempt: A guide for taking care of your family member after treatment in the emergency department
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), 2006

Brochure intended as a guide for families of suicide attempt survivors on what to expect in the emergency department and after release from the hospital. Includes information on national resources and organizations and contains advice for safety planning, ongoing support and learning about mental illness. Free full-text at: [http://mentalhealth.samhsa.gov/publications/allpubs/SVP-0159/](http://mentalhealth.samhsa.gov/publications/allpubs/SVP-0159/)

After an attempt: A guide for taking care of yourself after your treatment in the emergency department
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), 2006

Brochure intended as a guide for individuals on how to move forward after being treated in an emergency department for attempting suicide. Includes information on national resources and organizations and contains advice for safety planning, ongoing support and learning about mental illness. Free full-text at: [http://mentalhealth.samhsa.gov/publications/allpubs/SVP-0157/](http://mentalhealth.samhsa.gov/publications/allpubs/SVP-0157/)

Effect of telephone contact on further suicide attempts in patients discharged from an emergency department: Randomised controlled study.
BMJ. 2006 May 27;332(7552):1241-5.

The objective of this study was to determine the effects over one year of contacting patients by telephone one month or three months after being discharged from an emergency department for deliberate self poisoning compared with usual treatment. Read More

Subsequent suicide mortality among emergency department patients seen for suicidal behavior.
Crandall C, Fullerton-Gleason L, Aguero R, LaValley J.

The objective of this study was to determine whether suicide mortality rates for a cohort of patients seen and subsequently discharged from the ED for a suicide-related complaint were higher than for ED comparison groups. Read More

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Treatment for adolescents following a suicide attempt: Results of a pilot trial.
Donaldson D, Spirito A, Esposito-Smythers C.

The objective of this study was to compare the efficacy of a skills-based treatment protocol to a supportive relationship therapy for adolescents after a suicide attempt.
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Emergency department management of suicidal adolescents.
Kennedy SP, Baraff LJ, Suddath RL, Asarnow JR.

This article is a review of the literature for recommendations for the management of adolescents with suicidal ideation or attempts.
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Emergency management of the adolescent suicide attempter: A review of the literature.
Stewart ES, Manion I, Davidson S.
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Telephone contact with patients in the year after a suicide attempt: does it affect treatment attendance and outcome? A randomised controlled study.
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The 18-month impact of an emergency room intervention for adolescent female suicide attempters.
Rotheram-Borus MJ, Piacentini J, Cantwell C, Belin TR, Song J.

Following a suicide attempt by female adolescents, the impact of a specialized emergency room care intervention was evaluated over the subsequent 18 months.
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**Suicide in recently discharged psychiatric patients: A case-control study.**
Psychol Med. 2008 May 28;1-7. [Epub ahead of print]

This study aimed to identify risk factors, including variation in healthcare received, for suicide within 3 months of discharge.

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**Hospital characteristics associated with post-discharge suicide of severely depressed patients.**
Lin HC, Lee HC, Kuo NW, Chu CH.
J Affect Disord. 2008 Mar 3

The authors explored risk factors, such as characteristics of psychiatrist, patient and hospital at index hospitalization, associated with depressed patients who committed suicide within 3 months of discharge using a case-control design.

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**Review of predictors of suicide within 1 year of discharge from a psychiatric hospital.**
Troister T, Links PS, Cutcliffe J.

The authors conducted a systemic database search to identify predictors of suicide within 1 year of discharge from a psychiatric hospital.

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**Duration of hospitalization and post discharge suicide. (Hong Kong)**
Ho TP.
Suicide Life Threat Behav. 2006 Dec;36(6):682-6.

The author studied a retrospective cohort of discharged patients from all public psychiatric hospitals in Hong Kong (1997-1999) that was linked to suicide data from Coroner's court.

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**Review of literature on aftercare services among children and adolescents**
Daniel SS, Goldston DB, Harris AE, Kelley AE, Palmes GK.

This review critically examines the literature that pertains to the rates of aftercare service use, the effectiveness of aftercare services, and predictors of aftercare service use.

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Rates and predictors of aftercare services among formerly hospitalized adolescents: a prospective naturalistic study.

The authors examined rates and predictors of aftercare use, lengths of service use, and predictors of the duration of aftercare service use among 180 adolescents monitored for up to 8.1 years after discharge from an inpatient psychiatry unit.
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The Wessex Recent In-Patient Suicide Study, 1. Case-control study of 234 recently discharged psychiatric patient suicides.
King EA, Baldwin DS, Sinclair JM, Baker NG, Campbell MJ, Thompson C.

The authors aimed to identify social, clinical and health-care delivery factors in recently discharged patients.
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Increasing rates of suicide in Western Australian psychiatric patients: A record linkage study.
Lawrence D, Holman CD, Jablensky AV, Fuller SA, Stoney AJ.

The authors investigated the risk of suicide following contact with mental health services and whether it has changed over time.
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A Randomized controlled trial of postcrisis suicide prevention
Motto JA, Bostrom AG.

This study tested the hypothesis that professionals' maintenance of long-term contact with persons who are at risk of suicide can exert a suicide-prevention influence.
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Suicide within 12 months of contact with mental health services: National clinical survey

The authors aim to describe the clinical circumstances in which psychiatric patients commit suicide.
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A 2-4 year follow up of depressive symptoms, suicidal ideation, and suicide attempts among adolescent psychiatric inpatients.
Ivarsson T, Larsson B, Gillberg C.

The authors examined prevalence, incidence, and stability of depressive symptoms, suicidal ideation, and suicide attempts among adolescent psychiatric inpatients, and predictors of follow-up functioning.
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Psychiatric re-hospitalization following hospital discharge.
Owen C, Rutherford V, Jones M, Tennant C, Smallman A.

The purpose of this study was to examine the patient characteristics at discharge from an acute psychiatric unit that were associated with an increased likelihood of re-hospitalization within the following six months, and to examine the relationship between re-hospitalization and the nature of psychiatric aftercare in a well-integrated hospital and community based psychiatric service.
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Suicide after discharge from psychiatric inpatient care.
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The authors quantified the risk of suicide within a year of psychiatric discharge in a population-based study in the Oxford health region, UK.
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