Suicidal Patients in the Emergency Department: Improving Care through Partnerships with Crisis Centers

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For those that experience suicidal crises and receive care in Emergency Departments (ED), suicide risk does not end at the moment of discharge. Their elevated risks may continue and may be rekindled in the days and weeks that follow. This webinar describes potential new roles for crisis centers in working with EDs to fill these gaps and improve continuity of care for suicidal patients after ED discharge. Three speakers with diverse expertise will highlight research, best practices, and current work to improve care for suicidal patients after an ED visit. Tools and resources available to support effective practices for suicidal patients among EDs and crisis centers will be discussed.

Objectives: Participants will be able to:

* Understand the issues, research, and best practices around continuity of care for suicidal patients after ED discharge.

* Describe new roles for crisis centers and how they can partner with EDs to better serve suicidal patients.

* Describe lessons from the ED-crisis center pilot program case study.

Event Presenter(s)

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Settings: Emergency Departments, Crisis Centers/Services
Strategies: Effective Care/Treatment, Care Transitions/Linkages