

Management of Suicide

Assess for self-harm or suicide if the person presents with **Either**

- Extreme hopelessness or despair, current thoughts/ plan/act of self-harm suicide or history of thereof, act of self-harm with signs of poisoning/intoxication. Bleeding from self-inflicted wound, loss of consciousness and or extreme lethargy **OR**
- Any of the priority mental, neurological and substance use (MNS) conditions, chronic pain, or extreme emotional distress



Medically serious act of self-harm if the following features present

Sign of poisoning or intoxication → refer to hospital

Bleeding from self-inflicted wound → Wound care and if severe, refer to hospital

Loss of consciousness → Refer to hospital

****Refer to psychiatrist**

****Do not leave the person alone**



Imminent risk of suicide if current plan or thoughts of suicide or act

→ Refer to psychiatrist and do not leave patient alone

Risk of self-harm or suicide if past history present → Refer to psychiatrist

Chronic pain → Refer to specialist

MNS conditions → Refer to respective algorithm