## WARNING SIGNS

of someone who may be at RISK OF SUICIDE

- Abrupt change in personality
  - Giving away prized possessions
- Previous suicide attempts
- Increase in drug or alcohol use
- Eating disturbance, either weight gain or loss
- Sleep disturbance, either too much or too little
  - Inability to tolerate frustration
    - Withdrawal and rebelliousness
  - Isolating and choosing to spend time alone

- Decline in personal hygiene
- Flat affect or depressed mood
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- Increase in hostility
- Decrease in academic performance Difficulty concentrating
- Recent family or relational disruption

## WHAT YOU CAN DO TO SAVE A LIFE

- If you see the signs, ask the person, "Are you suicidal?"
- Offer hope, don't leave them alone, and tell others
- Take the person to the nearest ER, call the police, take them to a health care professional or
- Call the Montana Suicide Prevention Lifeline at

1-800-273-TALK (8255)



www.prc.mt.gov/ suicideprevention