



Be Suicide ALERT prompt sheet

ASK if you think someone may be	We want to know from these stages if a person is
thinking about suicide.	feeling suicidal, if they have a plan, if they have
LISTEN carefully to what the person is	the means to carry out the plan and if they are at
saying.	immediate risk (or if anyone around them might
ENCOURAGE them to talk further.	be).
What action do you take RIGHT NOW?	
 No suicidal thoughts or behaviour. 	Information/Resource signpost if required;
-	Adult Mental Health Helplines and Websites - NHSGGC
2. Experiencing suicidal thoughts or behaviour but do not have a plan to end their life.	GP, Breathing Space, Samaritans, Stay Alive App StayAlive - Essential suicide prevention for everyday life or https://stayingsafe.net/
3. They have a plan to end their life, but no means or do not intend on using the means at present.	Encourage the person to phone NHS 24 on 111 or arrange an appointment with their GP Adult Mental Health Helplines and Websites - NHSGGC
4. They are at immediate risk of ending their life or others are at risk.	Emergency services – A&E or call 999
TALK to someone. Togetherall: safe online community monitored 24/7 by trained professionals. www.Togetherall.com	It's important you identify who you can talk to if you have been speaking with someone who is suicidal. That may be a manager, colleague, friend or calling Breathing Space or Samaritans.

Support from GP

GPs can support their patients and discuss whether medication or referral to other more specialist support services might be helpful. NHS 24 Mental Health Services can provide advice out of hours when the GP practice is closed, call **111** to access this service.

Samaritans: 116 123 (24hrs/day) Calls are free. Email jo@samaritans.org

Provide confidential emotional support for people experiencing feelings of distress or despair, including those which could lead to suicide. www.samaritans.org

Breathing Space: 0800 83 85 87

(Mon–Thurs: 6 pm–2 am, Fri: 6 pm–Mon 6 am) Calls are free. A free and confidential helpline for anyone experiencing low mood, anxiety or depression, or who is unusually worried and needs someone to talk to; there is also a webchat service available; https://breathingspace.scot/

SHOUT: Crisis text line 85258 (24 hours, every day). Texts are free.

Stay Alive App: Download the free App on the App Store or Google Play. The App is packed full of useful information and tools to help you stay safe in a crisis. <u>StayAlive - Essential suicide prevention for everyday life</u>

Staying Safe Website: If you're struggling and you're not sure if you want to live or die, can you, just for now hold off making this decision and keep read the information and watch the videos for some ideas about how to get through. There may be things that you - and other people - can do to make things better. https://stayingsafe.net/

Glasgow City: Lifelink - Telephone 0141 552 4434 or complete an online referral form here

Compassionate Distress Response Service; Call: 0141 406 0900 Email: cdrs@gamh.org.uk Available 7 days 5pm – 2am

Prepared by Heather Sloan HI Lead – Mental Health on behalf of NHSGGC Mental Health Improvement Team with thanks to NHS Borders for original briefing: 14th February 2023 Version 3