# WORKING TOGETHER TO PREVENT SUICIDE

With one in every 100 deaths worldwide resulting from suicide, it's crucial to recognize the warning signs and seek help for those in need.



- Being sad or depressed most of the time
- Talking about suicide
- Withdrawing from family and friends
- Feeling hopeless
- Acting recklessly

Always take these signs seriously, and get help immediately.

## **CONNECT WITH RESOURCES**

Resources and assistance are available to all Mauser Packing Solutions employees and members of their household through our benefit programs.\*

U.S.: THE HARTFORD: Enhanced Ability Assist® - Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Call toll free 1-800-327-1850 or visit www.guidanceresources.com.

Canada: Manulife – Homewood Health/Santé: Resilience® Employee and Family Assistance Program (EFAP)

Call toll free 1-866-644-0326 or visit www.manulife.ca.



<sup>\*</sup>Resources and assistance available regardless of enrollment in healthcare benefits.

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Here are 5 steps you can take to help someone in emotional pain:



### **ASK**

"Are you thinking about killing yourself?" It's not an easy question but studies show that asking at-risk individuals if they are suicidal does not increase suicides or suicidal thoughts.



### **KEEP THEM SAFE**

Reducing a suicidal person's access to highly lethal items or places is an important part of suicide prevention. While this is not always easy, asking if the at-risk person has a plan and removing or disabling the lethal means can make a difference.



### **BE THERE**

Listen carefully and learn what the individual is thinking and feeling. Research suggests acknowledging and talking about suicide may in fact reduce rather than increase suicidal thoughts.



## **HELP THEM CONNECT**

Save the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline number (call or text 988) and the Crisis Text Line number (741741) in your phone so they're there if you need them. You can also help make a connection with a trusted individual like a family member, friend, spiritual advisor, or mental health professional.



### STAY CONNECTED

Staying in touch after a crisis or after being discharged from care can make a difference. Studies have shown the number of suicide deaths goes down when someone follows up with the at-risk person.

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