

We can all help prevent physician suicide.

Prevention begins with understanding the warning signs to look for in someone who may be suicidal. With the HEART acronym, we hope to help you easily remember these signs.

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VITAL SIGN 1

Health

- Increasing the use of medications and/or alcohol or illicit drugs
- Talking about wanting to hurt themselves or die

VITAL SIGN 2

Emotions

- Experiencing extreme mood swings
- Feeling hopeless or having no purpose



VITAL SIGN 3

Attitude

- Being negative about professional and personal life
- Having inappropriate outbursts of anger or sadness



VITAL SIGN 4

Relationships

- Withdrawing or isolating themselves from family, friends and coworkers
- Talking about being a burden to others



VITAL SIGN 5

Temperament

- Acting anxious or agitated; behaving recklessly
- Being uncomfortable, tired or in unbearable pain

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If you need further guidance or are in a crisis, call the National Suicide Hotline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255) for free 24/7 support.