## QUESTIONS TO ASK TO CREATE MY SAFETY PLAN

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What stresses me? (Triggers/Stressors)	What coping skills, things I have done that have helped me in the past to feel better?
When and how do I know that things are not going well? What are my signs & Symptoms? "Red Flags"?	What people, places, and things provide me with distraction/relief from stress?
What are my Coping Skills? Things that can help me?	What can I tell myself to make me feel better? What would I say to a close friend who was feeling this way?
What I can do to be calm and stay safe IN THE MOMENT?	What can I do to feel better? What are my goals for being healthy?
in Ulster County, Inc.	What can others do to help me feel better?

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If I have suicidal/destructive thoughts, I will:

To reduce the risk of acting on suicidal/destructive thoughts I will:

If my suicidal/destructive thoughts lead to a plan to die or harm self or others, I will: (e.g. remove access to guns, pills, other lethal means)

A safe place(s) I can go:

People who have agreed to help me when I am having suicidal/destructive thoughts:

- B. Name
- C. Name

Other People you can call for help...

- 911
- Mobile Mental Health 844-277-4820 (1 p.m. to 11 p.m.)
- FAMILY Text & Phone Hotline 845-679-2485
- 1-800-273-TALK (8255)
- Health Alliance Emergency Dept. 845-334-4244
- *Live4Today* Suicide Support Group 845-339-9090

The most important reminder is that you can continue on your way to feeling healthy and well by using all the resources available to you, both in yourself and from the help of others!

A. Name \_\_\_\_\_\_ How to contact: \_\_\_\_\_\_ How to contact: How to contact:

## REMINDERS

- Take medications as prescribed do not change until you have discussed with your doctor.
- If you experience side effects from your medications, notify doctor or mental health care provider.
- Keep all after care appointments as scheduled.
- Be prepared for your appointments, write down questions/concerns and bring them with you.