

CAMS at the Institute

Collaborative Assessment and Management of Suicidality

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What is CAMS?

CAMS is a therapeutic framework for suicidespecific assessment and treatment of an individual's suicidal risk. It's been found to be effective with teens, and our team applies a modified version with children experiencing suicidal ideation as well.

CAMS reliably and effectively helps to decrease:

- suicidal ideation
- overall symptom distress
- depression
- hopelessness
- suicide attempts
- self-harm behaviors

How do we get started?

Looking for support for a loved one? We're here to help, and the process is simple:

- Contact our Intake Coordinator, Paige Howard*, MSMFT, AMFT, APCC - 626-585-8075 ext. 108 or
- PHoward@IFGD.care
- 2. Paige will provide a complimentary phone intake and let you know if CAMS might be an effective option.
- 3. If so, we'll recommend a therapist from our CAMS team on the back of the flier.
- 4. Individual sessions with the CAMS therapist will then begin.

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How do I know when to seek help?

Warning signs include, but are not limited to, depression, hopeless comments, preoccupation with death, irritability, aggressiveness, dramatic shifts in behavior, and recent or upcoming loss. To know if a loved one is suicidal - ask directly. Go to AFSP.org for more risk factors and warnings signs.

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PLEASE NOTE: This information should not be construed as medical advice pertinent to any individual. As is true with all written materials, you must be the judge of what is valid and useful for you. Please discuss questions with your therapist or physician.

