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Definition of Crisis and Emergency

<u>Crisis</u>: Disruption or breakdown in typical pattern of functioning; acute and cannot be resolved by customary problem-solving resources; 24-72 wait is appropriate without placing self or others in jeopardy

Emergency: Sudden, pressing need, such as a life is in danger due to an accident, suicide attempt or imminent attempt or interpersonal violence; requires immediate attention by law enforcement, CPS or other professionals trained to respond to life-threatening events.





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