The 3A's Framework for Firearm Injury Prevention Counseling

**Approach**

a patient using these guidelines when discussing firearm injury prevention:

- Be Informed
- Be Respectful
- Focus on Harm Reduction
- Be Individualized

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**Assess**

these four elements:

- Risk Factors
- Ideation or Threats
- Access to Guns
- Willingness to Collaborate

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**Act**

using the most appropriate intervention based on type and level of risk:

- Safe Storage
- Temporary Transfer
- Mental Health Hold
- Civil Protective Order

LOW RISK

HIGH RISK

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The 3A’s Framework was developed by The BulletPoints Project to help clinicians identify and assess patients at risk for firearm-related harm and reduce that risk through appropriate conversations and interventions. Learn more at https://www.bulletpointsproject.org/