The SAFER-R Prompts

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Stabilize

• Stabilize (Introduction (Who are you? Where are you from? What are you going to do? Meet basic needs)

Acknowledge

 Acknowledge what happened (Can you tell me what happened? How are you doing?)

Facilitate

 Facilitate transition to next stage (paraphrase what you've heard; normalization, if possible; "Let me make sure I understand...")

Encourage

• Encourage effective coping (reduce acute distress;)

R - Make a PLAN

• Recovery or Referral (recovery of function or facilitate access to continued care; make a plan going forward)