Weathering The Storm TOGETHER Fostering Resilience and Mutual Support in Oceanside

Child & Youth Wellness Action Group





Today's Agenda

- How healthy are we?
- The Stress Response and Stressors
- What is Anxiety? /Anxiety is the new normal in COVID
- Sadness vs. Depression
- Fatigue vs. Depletion
- Empathy vs. Sympathy
- Wellness break
- Discussion through break-out rooms
- Summary of discussions
- Resources
- Closing words

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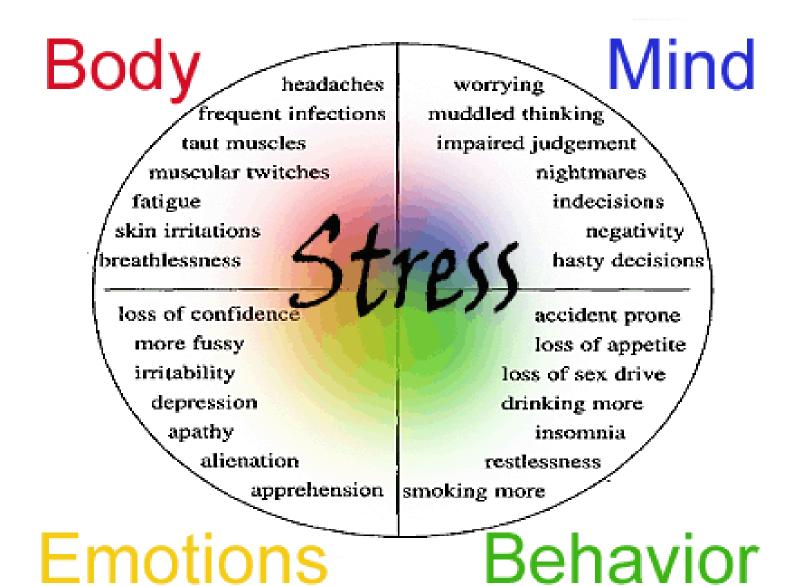
How Healthy Are We?

MENTAL HEALTH CONTINUUM MODEL

| HEALTHY | REACTING | INJURED | ILL |
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| Normal fluctuations in mood Takes things in stride Good sense of humour Consistent performance Physically & socially active Confident in self & others Drinking in moderation | Nervousness, irritability Sadness, overwhelmed Displaced sarcasm Procrastination Forgetfulness Trouble sleeping Low energy Muscle tension, headaches Missing an occasional class or deadline Decreased social activity Drinking regularly or in binges to manage stress | Anxiety, anger Pervasive sadness, tearfulness, hopelessness, worthlessness Negative attitude Difficulty concentrating Trouble making decisions Decreased performance, regularly missing classes/deadlines, or over work Restless, disturbed sleep Avoidance, social withdrawal Increase used of alcohol- hard to control | Excessive anxiety Panic attacks Easily enraged, aggressive Depressed mood, numb Cannot concentrate Inability to make decisions Cannot fall asleep/stay asleep Constant fatigue, illness Absent from social events/classes Suicidal thoughts/intent Unusual sensory experiences (hearing or seeing things) Alcohol or other addiction |
| Nurture support systems. | Recognize limits, take breaks, identify problems early, seek support. | Tune into own signs of distress. Talk to someone, ask for help. Make self-care a priority. Don't withdraw. | Seek professional care. Follow recommendations. |

Mental Health Continuum Model (Source: Canadian Armed Forces)

The STRESS RESPONSE



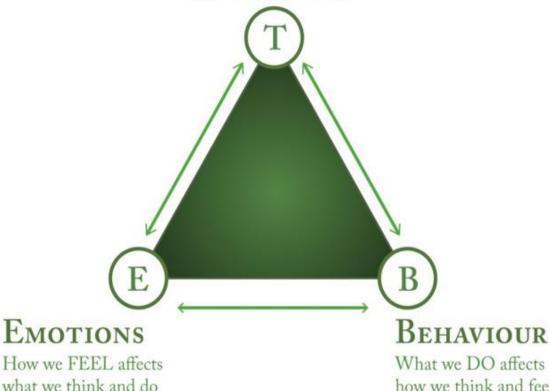
The STRESS RESPONSE



What is Anxiety?

Thoughts

What we THINK affects how we act and feel



How we FEEL affects what we think and do

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Anxiety is the new normal in COVID

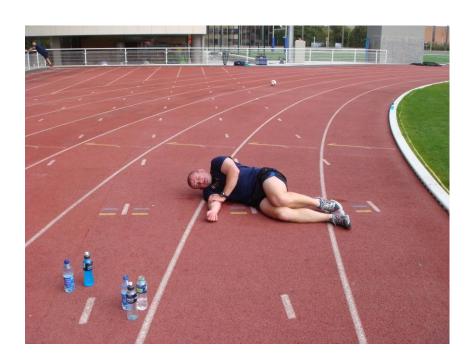


Sadness versus Depression



Fatigue versus Depletion (D. Lapin)

Fatigue



Depletion

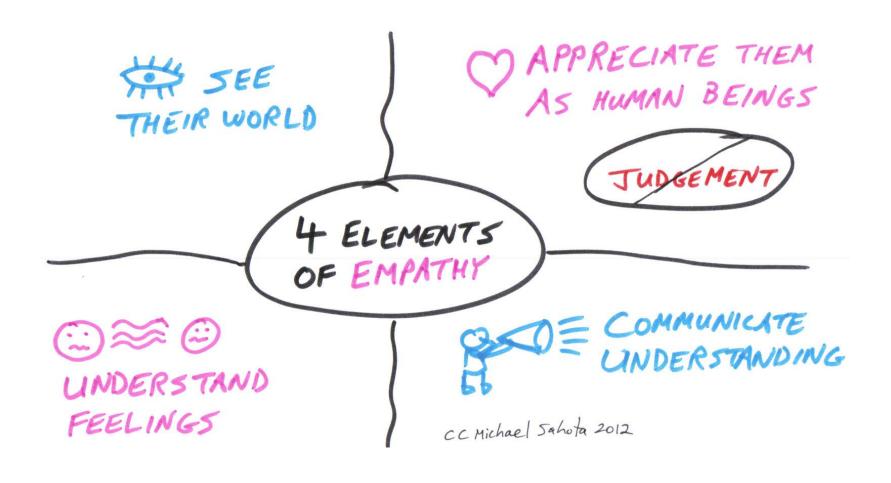


Empathy versus Sympathy



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Evwgu3 69Jw

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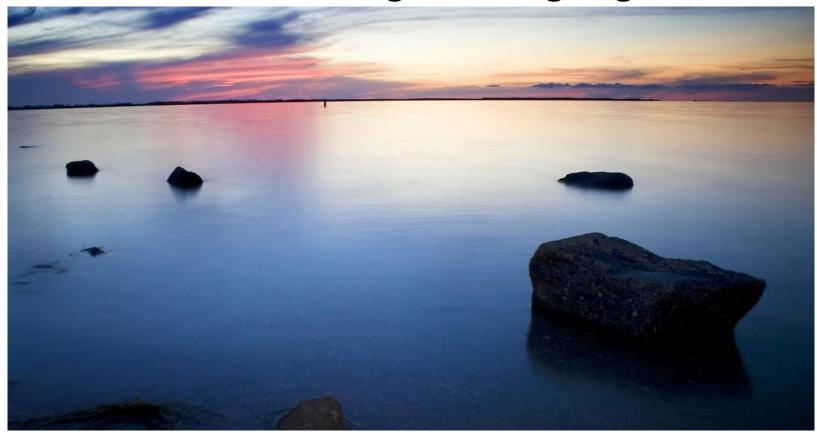


When someone is going through a rough timejust sit with them. No preaching, no advice. Just be there



Wellness Break

Provided by Judi Malcolm, Executive Director of Oceanside Building Learning Together



Interactive Discussion



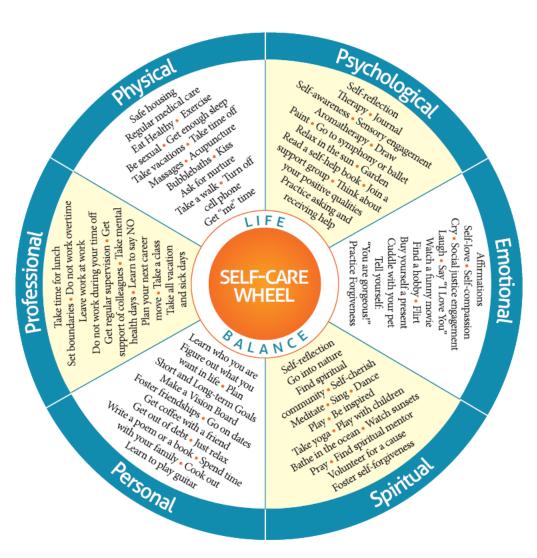
Questions for small group discussion

In this presentation, what stood out for you?

What restores you?

 What have you done or would like to do for others in your family or in the community?

SELF-CARE WHEEL



his Self-Care Wheel was inspired by and adapted from "Self-Care Assessment Worksheet" from Transforming the ain: A Workbook on Vicarious traumatization by Saakvitne, Pearlman & Staff of TSI/CAAP (Norton, 1996), Created

Resources/references

- https://lapininternational.com/leadership-blog/r-r (fatigue vs depletion)
- https://www.heretohelp.bc.ca/q-and-a/whats-the-difference-between-sadness-and-depression
- https://brenebrown.com/podcast/brene-with-emily-andamelia-nagoski-on-burnout-and-how-to-complete-thestress-cycle/
- https://www.anxietycanada.com/covid-19

Resources

https://theworkingmind.ca/continuum-self-check

https://keltymentalhealth.ca/resources

https://theworkingmind.ca/sites/default/files/winter_mi ni_guide_eng_07-dec-20.pdf [mini guide to help employee's mental health through winter]

https://keltymentalhealth.ca/sites/default/files/resources/Adolescent%20Toolkit%20Provincial.pdf

Resources

https://www.mhfa.ca/en/blog/mental-health-first-aid-covid-19-self-care-resilience-guide

https://www.tarabrach.com/wpcontent/uploads/pdf/RAIN-of-Self-Compassion2.pdf

https://www.mindful.org/when-parenting-getstough

Resources

Health Continuum:

https://bmcpsychology.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s40359-020-00446-w

Vancouver Island Crisis link

https://www.vicrisis.ca/

Oceanside local resource list:

file:///C:/Users/User/Downloads/Every%20Door%2 OCard.pdf

Thank You for Participating!

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- Also contact Jane to request the slides from this presentation
- Stay tuned for more workshops in the upcoming months....