Self-Care 101: Part 1

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Logistics





This webinar is being recorded. The recording and presentation slides will be emailed to those that registered. These materials will also be placed on the NCSD website.



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SELF-CARE Part 1

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Presentation Structure

- 1. Presentation Content
- 2. Ask questions in the chat during the presentation
- 3. Questions will be answered at the end of the presentation

Training Objectives

- Define self-care
- Describe the connection between trauma and selfcare
- Describe the brain's response to trauma
- Describe self-capacity building and self regulation as results of self care



The Big Question

What does self-care mean to you?



Why do we talk about self-care?

- Our jobs are hard
- Workload expectations
- We work with clients who don't cooperate
- We see and hear some tough stuff
- Burnout

Why do we talk about self-care?

COVID

- Working from Home
- Isolation
- Health Concerns

Why do we talk about self-care?

Racial Justice

- Public Health Concerns
- Community Environment
- Political Environment
- Workplace Environment

Self-Care History

"Caring for myself is not self-indulgence, it is self-preservation, and that is an act of political

warfare."

--Audre Lorde



Self-Care



Self-care refers to activities and practices that we can engage in on a regular basis to reduce stress and maintain and enhance our short- and longer-term health and well-being

Self-Care Aims

Taking care of physical and psychological health Health Managing and reducing stress **Stress** Honoring emotional and spiritual needs **Heart & Spirit** Fostering and sustaining relationships **Social** Achieving an equilibrium across one's personal and work lives Integrate



What are we talking about?

- 1. Childhood Experiences
- 2. Life Experiences
- 3. Work Experiences



Brain Responses

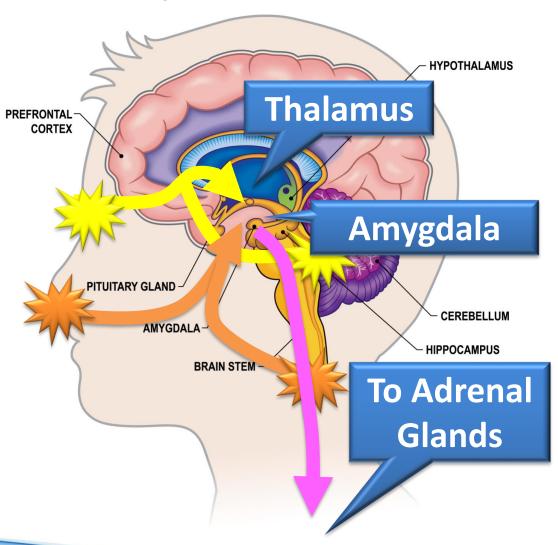
Two Responses:

- 1. Limbic Brain Response
- 2. Pre-Frontal Cortex Response



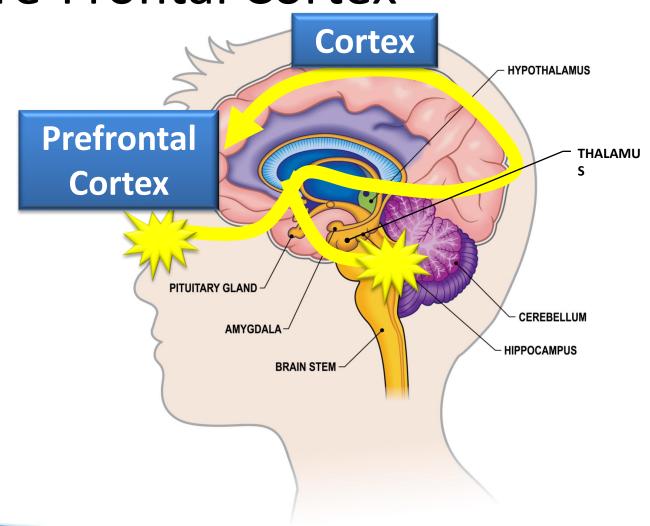
Limbic Response

- Stress Response
- Lack of rational thinking
- Lack of planning
- Emotions
- Fight, flight, or freeze



Pre-Frontal Cortex

- Past experience and memories as reference.
- Reasoning
- Flexible problem solving
- Planning
- Emotional Regulation





SELF CAPACITY AND SELF REGULATION

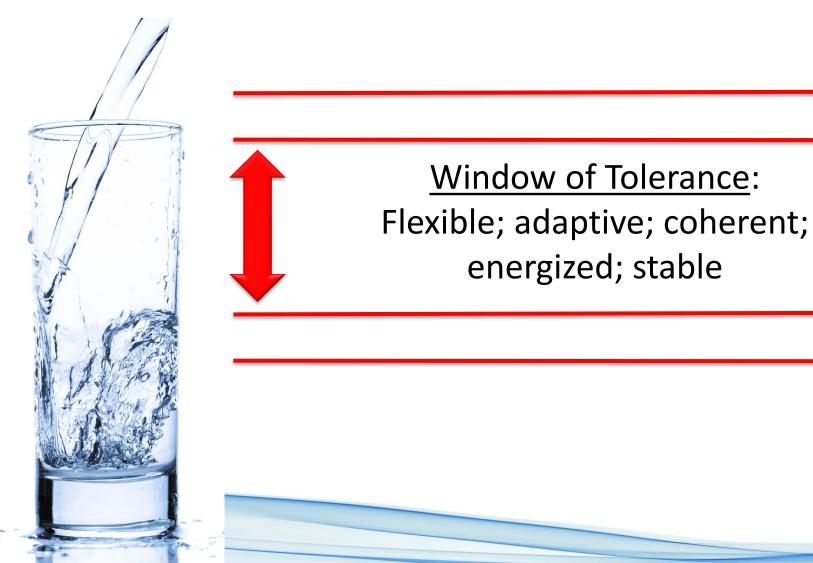
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Cup Analogy



Window of Tolerance



Self Regulation

- Manage emotions and behavior
- Resist highly emotional responses
- Calm self
- Adjust to change
- Handle frustrations



Tools For Self Regulation

- Mindfulness
 - -Observe present moment
 - -Let judgements roll by
- Reframing
 - -Changing thought pattern

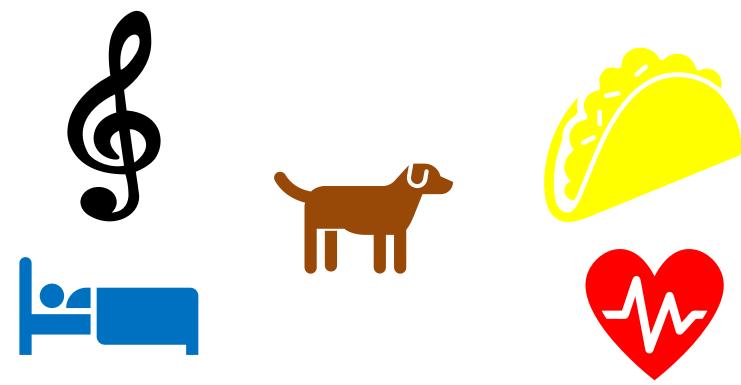


What does self-care mean to you?

- How do you want to feel?
- What are your intentions?
- What are your goals?



Questions?



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Upcoming webinars

- August 26 at 3:15-4:30pm ET Self Care 101 Part 2
 - Registration link will be sent via email and placed on the NCSD website:
 https://ncsd.adobeconnect.com/eynvxrwuohxv/event/registration.html
- September 9 at 3:15-4:30pm ET Self Care & Supervision
 - Registration link is forthcoming!
- September 30 at 3:15-4:30pm ET Self Care & Intersectionality
 - Registration link is forthcoming!