# CARE MATTERS LEARNING & WELLBEING



A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN

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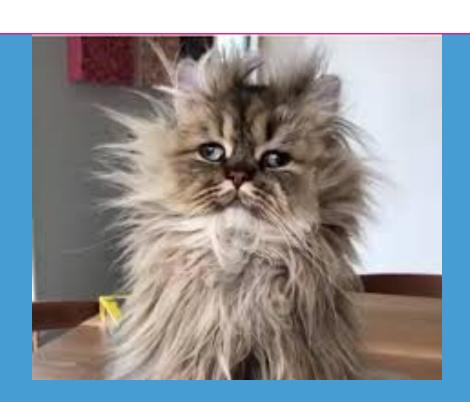
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## Managing stress

Acknowledge It – Develop ways to cope

#### Ever feel Like this??



# Clues that your stress levels are high!!



- Mind Forgetting
- Body Headaches
- Emotional/Social -Fear
- Behavioural yelling

## Managing Stress



 Identify what is causing the stress

Look after our own needs

# Ideas people have shared that work for them



Breathing Techniques

Exercise

Visualization

Solution Focus

Me Time

# Things that don't work so well



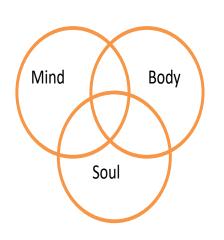
- Ignoring It and Hoping It Will Just
   Go Away
- Eating, Drinking, Smoking to Excess
- Laying Around and Hoping It Will Vanish
- Becoming Depressed
- Poor Communication

# What you can try ...

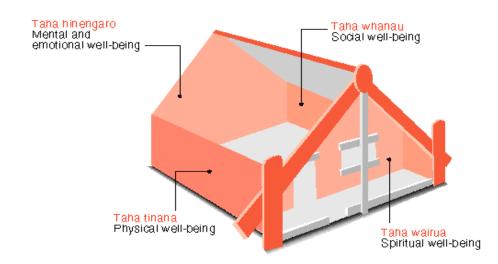
To you don't state try, try again.

- Don't Avoid It Adapt
- TRY to Eat Healthy
- Exercise Breathing Techniques
- Seek Information Try Laughter –
   Be With Upbeat People
- Effective Communication

# Balance All Parts Matter - Are you balanced?



Balance to affect change



MANAGING STRESS MAY TAKE ENERGY YOU DON'T THINK YOU HAVE!!



## Some other key thoughts to help us manage stress...

- Friends
- Being informed
- Be aware of changes in yourself
- It is okay to acknowledge when you aren't coping well

# Tried it .... It didn't work!!!

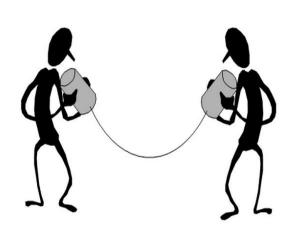
#### **Stress Reduction Kit**

Bang Head Here

#### **Directions**

- 1. Place kit on FIRM surface
- 2. Follow directions in circle of kit
- 3. Repeat step 2 as necessary, or until unconscious
- 4. If unconscious, cease stress reduction activity

### DESC effective communication



By Bower and Bower

- D Describe the situation you want to change
- E Express (one emotion)
- S Specify what you would like different
- C Consequence- the positive outcome when the change has been made

**Emphasize 4 sentences** 

#### Useful resources

- http://www.healthnavigator.org.nz/health-a-z/s/stress/?tab=9560
- Video advice on stress
   <a href="http://www.healthnavigator.org.nz/videos/s/stress/">http://www.healthnavigator.org.nz/videos/s/stress/</a>
- http://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/services-and-support/disabilityservices/getting-support-disability/needs-assessment-and-servicecoordination-services
- General information A Guide for Carers
   <a href="http://www.msd.govt.nz/what-we-can-do/community/carers/">http://www.msd.govt.nz/what-we-can-do/community/carers/</a>
- http://carematters.org.nz/looking-after-myself/

### Thank you!

Please take the time to give us feedback.