



Reclaiming Your Balance and Energy

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# Welcome

- Welcome to the Shift Your Mind workshop
- This session is held in association with BC Women's Health Foundation.
- Content is developed in partnership with the Canadian Mental Health Association and sponsored by Shopper's Drug-Mart.
- Participation encouraged to gain the most benefit.

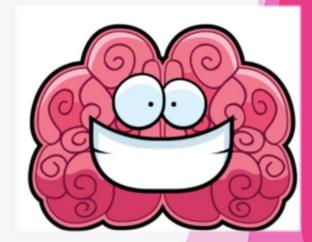






# **WORKSHOP OBJECTIVE**

- Provide a forum to share and discuss Mental Health topics and to find ways to put some of the tips into practice more easily.
- Helping people get back to exercise and back on court.
- Mental Fitness is about feeling positive, strong, connected and ready to return to sport.
- Exercise improves mood and serotonin levels.
- Health topics covered today:
  - Motivation and Goal Setting
  - Connection and Kindness
  - Managing What you can Control
  - Resilience
  - Acceptance into Action
  - Mindfulness and a Change of Perspective







# Connection









# **CURRENT REALITY**

- Challenge of physical distancing, separation, anxiety
  - How to find the balance between work, fun, family, and exercise.
    - May seem like there is never a break between all of these elements





# MOTIVATION AND GOAL SETTING

Discover tools to help keep you motivated in sticking with your new daily routine and responsibilities.

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

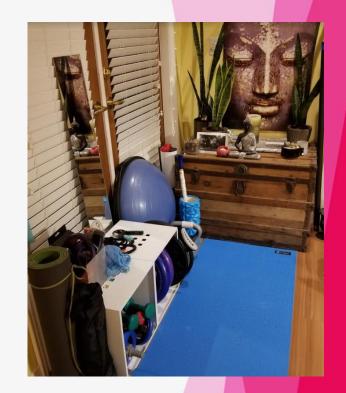
- Have you found it difficult to stay motivated?
- What barriers have made it more difficult to stay motivated?





# HOW TO STAY MOTIVATED

- Set small achievable goals daily
- Create a dedicated space for your work and your workout
- Message a friend before your physical activity to help motivate them!
- Use positive self-talk!
  - I can achieve any goal I set for myself!
  - I treat every day as a new challenge to improve myself in some way!







### **CONNECTION AND KINDNESS**

- While practicing social distancing, recognize that human connection is still important to help us manage our mental health.
- Kindness can have a significant impact on your own mental health.
- Learning how to stay connected while being physically apart.

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- What have you missed while being distanced from colleagues, friends, and family?
- What are simple ways to help support each other and keep our community strong?





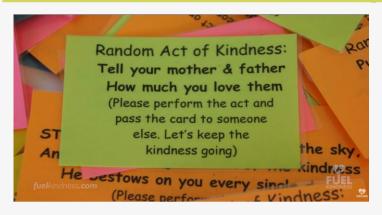
# **IMPORTANT POINTS**

- Remind yourself that we can manage this better together.
- Know that you are not alone.
- Expressions of kindness actually <u>provides you with a physiological</u> <u>benefit.</u>

# VIDEO The Science of Kindness



# TED Talk - Kindness - Orly Wahba







# MANAGING WHAT WE CAN

# I CANNOT CONTROL

SO. I CAN LET GO OF THESE THINGS

IF OTHERS
FOLLOW
THE RULES
OF SOCIAL
DISTANCING

THE ACTIONS OF OTHERS

PREDICTING WHAT WILL HAPPEN

OTHER PEOPLE'S MOTIVES

I CAN CONTROL

SO, I WILL FOCUS ON THESE THINGS

MY POSITIVE ATTITUDE

HOW I FOLLOW CDC RECOMMENDATIONS

MY OWN SOCIAL DISTANCING

TURNING OFF THE NEWS

LIMITING MY SOCIAL MEDIA

FINDING FUN THINGS TO DO AT HOME

MY KINDNESS & GRACE

THE AMOUNT OF TOILET PAPER AT THE STORE

HOW LONG THIS WILL LAST

HOW OTHERS
REACT





# **IMPORTANT POINTS**

- Ensure you are getting your COVID-19 updates from reliable sources (CDC, WHO).
- ▶ Take breaks from media.
- Focus on what you **can** control.





# **BECOMING RESILIENT**

Understanding the traits and habits that make people more resilient.

# **RESILIENCE (Definition):**

An ability to recover from or adjust easily to misfortune or change.

# **VIDEO** (synopsis):

The Three Secrets of Resilient People

Resiliency expert Dr. Lucy Hone







### THE 3 CHARACTERISTICS OF A RESILIENT PERSON

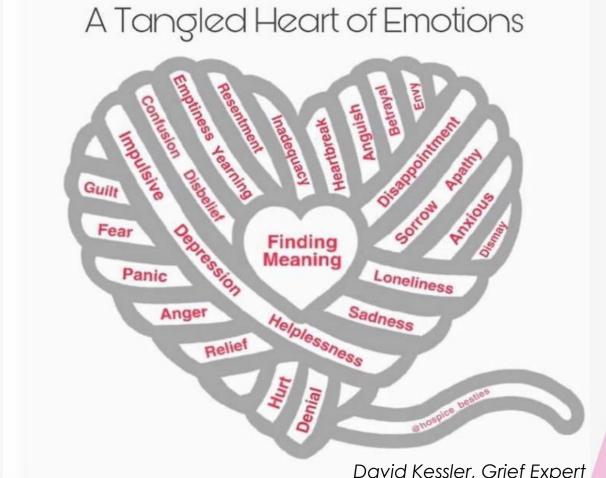
- Understanding that stuff happens!
- 2. The ability to understand what is important
- 3. Resilient people choose to appreciate the good elements of life
  - Is what I am doing <u>helping or harming me</u>?
  - <u>Be kind to yourself</u>, do not be hard on yourself or your feelings.





### **TURNING ACCEPTION INTO ACTION**

If we can name what we are feeling, perhaps we can accept it and grow from it.



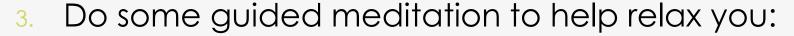




# TIPS FOR MANAGING HOW YOU ARE FEELING

 Journal every morning and reflect on how you are feeling.





**Headspace** Free 10-minute guided meditation.

Mindful Free 10-minute guided meditation.







#### MINDFULNESS AND A CHANGING PERSEPCTIVE

Understanding that mindfulness can help reduce stress and anxiety, and be done anywhere.

# **MINDFULNESS (DEFINITION)**

- Mindfulness is the basic human ability to be fully present, aware of where we are and what we're doing, and not overly reactive or overwhelmed by what is going on around us
  - What are some methods you use to become present?
  - When can it be helpful to be mindful?





# **MINDFULNESS TIPS**

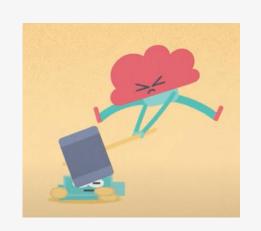
- Set aside time
- ▶ Observe the present moment as is
- Be kind to your wandering mind
- Let judgements roll by

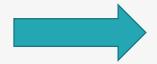




# **VIDEO** (Andy Puddicombe from Headspace)

Headspace | Meditation | Changing Perspective







# **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

What are the tools that we've learned that help you to observe and manage your feelings?

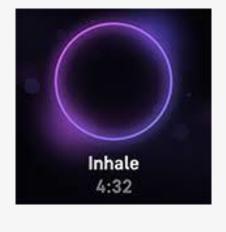




# **Some Additional Tools & Resources**

















# **THE 10-WEEK CHALLENGE** Pick **one or more** of the following:

- Create a workout space for yourself
- Set a goal:
  - Do a workout or run/walk three times a week
  - Schedule a regular physical activity with a friend
- Keep track or notice feelings after each workout
  - Use the activity and mood journal
- Build meditation into your weekly routine.
  - Mindfulness and/or breathing technique apps
- Motivate each other
  - Stay connected and be kind





#### RESOURCES

VIDEO:

The Science of Kindness

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FA1ggXovaxU

TED Talk – Kindess (cards)– Orly Wahba

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yn9VxUPIC5g&feature=emb\_rel\_pause

The Three Secrets of Resilient People

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NWH8N-BvhAw&feature=youtu.be

Headspace 10-minute meditation for calm

https://www.headspace.com/meditation/10-minute-meditation

Calm 10-minute meditation for focus

https://www.mindful.org/a-10-minute-meditation-for-focussing-the-mind/

Headspace | Meditation | Changing Perspective

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iN6g2mr0p3Q

- IMAGE: What I can Control (Stephanie Shirriff from RunForWomen)
- APPS: Headspace Calm WimHof Method
- Activity Journal <a href="http://www.squashbc.com/w/play-squash/women-in-squash/womens-squash-week">http://www.squashbc.com/w/play-squash/women-in-squash/womens-squash-week</a>
- SquashBC COVID-19 Page <a href="http://www.squashbc.com/w/COVID-19">http://www.squashbc.com/w/COVID-19</a>





### Thank you for joining us on this 10 week Challenge! #WSW2020BC #SheCanSquash



REGISTER NOW TO GET FREE ACCESS
TO PREMIUM VIRTUAL EVENTS!

OCT 25

**She'll Make The Call** - A Squash Rules Clinic for Women with Penny Glover

NOV 3

Shift Your Mindset - Workshop with Natasha Doucas

NOV 17

Building a Welcoming & Safe Environment to Attract and Retain Females in Squash - Panel Session

SIGN UP AT: SQUASHBC.COM Follow link to WSW 10 week challenge! SQUASH BC PRESENTS



# BC WOMEN'S SQUASH 10 WEEK CHALLENGE

#### SEPTEMBER 21 - NOVEMBER 30, 2020

- Women's Squash Week (WSW) is a provincewide special event for girls and women to try the #I healthiest sport in the world, and to encourage those who have taken a break to get back on court!
- This year Squash BC is presenting a 10 week challenge to help females get mentally and physically prepared to return to court and playing squash!
- In addition to the three premier events, Squash BC will also be sharing online videos of drills, safety guidelines, information on how to avoid injury and more...

Keep up to date by checking the Squash BC website at: **www.squashbc.com** 

Follow the progress and action on social media: #WSW2020BC









