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Coping well during Covid: Improving Sleep

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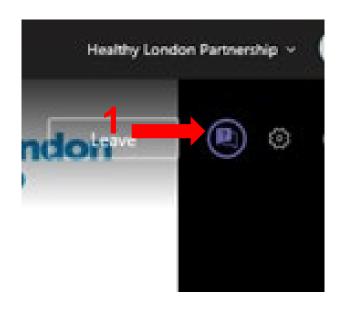




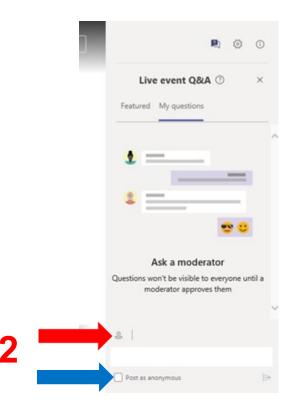


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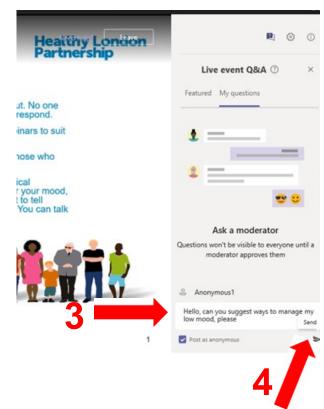
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Tell us about you

Please like the relevant option in the Q/A, who you are here for:

- A. For yourself
- B. For a family member or friend who is struggling
- C. As a professional (please tell us what your role is)
- D. Other (please explain)

What are we offering?

- A series of webinars to help you cope with the impact caused by the Coronavirus.
- The theme will be different each week
- Focus on the different ways your wellbeing may be impacted.
- Understanding why you feel the way you feel.
- Strategies and techniques to help manage the way you feel.



Let's see your responses...

Who are you here for today:

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Use Q/A to answer this question....



What do you hope to get out of this Webinar?

What to expect



 Toolkit of evidence-based resources, ideas and tools.

• The content of these webinars is based on Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT).

• CBT focusses on making changes to our thoughts and behaviour to improve our mood.

Objective of this webinar

 Understanding sleep, insomnia and sleep statistics and why we sleep

 Knowledge of several techniques which can be used to help overcome sleep problems.

Let's look at your responses...



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Five Areas Model

Life events

Laying in bed, trying to sleep





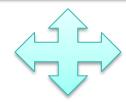
Emotions

Irritable, Frustrated, Dread, Down, Fed up, Stressed, worried



Thoughts

I'm never going to get to sleep, I'm bound to have a terrible day tomorrow, I'll be awake all night, I won't be ale to focus at work tomorrow



Behaviours

Trying to catch up with sleep during the day 9nap), snappy and irritable with others, laying awake in bed at night, checking/avoiding clock, alcohol, stimulants(coffee, energy drinks), reduce activities following day.



Physical Symptoms:

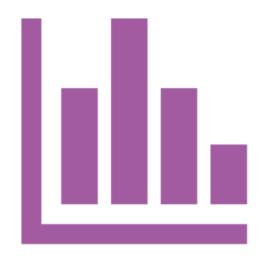
Tired, restless, fatigue, low energy, exhausted, aches and pains.

Mental impairments – attention/memory/ concentration



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Poll:

- A. Less than 5 hours
- B. 5-6 hours
- C. 6-7 hours
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 - E. More than 9 hours

Insomnia Statistics

- Insomnia is thought to affect about one third of the general population in the UK
- Since lockdown this has increased to half the population.

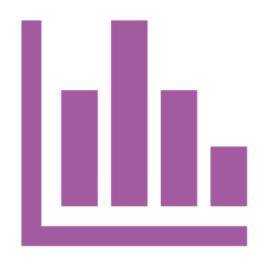
CBT has been found to be an effective treatment for chronic insomnia that produces meaningful improvements in sleep diary outcomes.

Statistics from the British Sleep Council's 'Great British Bedtime Report' 2013



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Why do we sleep?

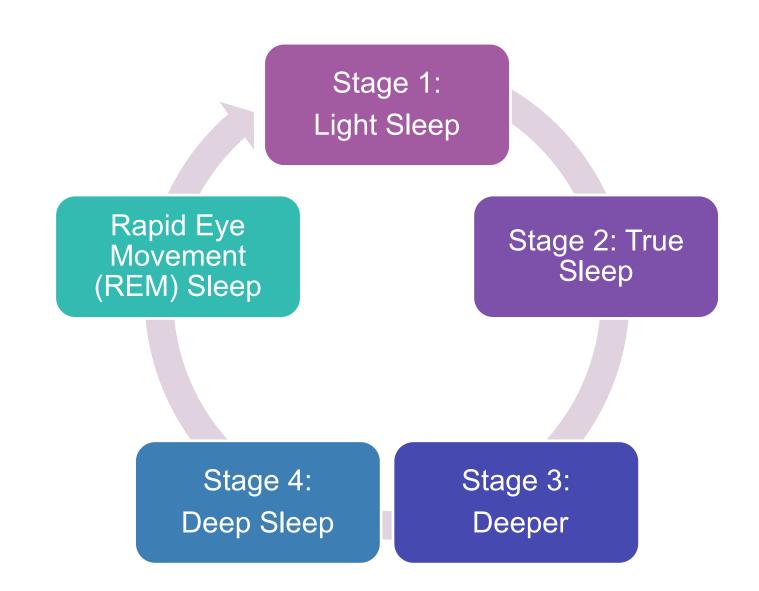
- Sleep is essential to humans, just like air, water and food.
- Sleep serves a restorative purpose physiologically and psychologically.

How much sleep do we need?



- The amount of sleep we need across our lifetime varies
- But there is also variation within each group
- We each need different amounts of sleep, depending on a number of factors
- However, the 7-9 hour range provides a good benchmark

What happens when we sleep?



Lack of sleep

- Poor attention, concentration and memory
- Irritability and other mood disturbances
- Impaired judgement and reaction time
- Poor physical coordination (dangerous for driving)

Steps to overcome insomnia

Step 3: Sleep Restriction

Step 2: Sleep Retraining

Step1: Sleep Hygiene and Relaxation



Step 1: Sleep Hygiene

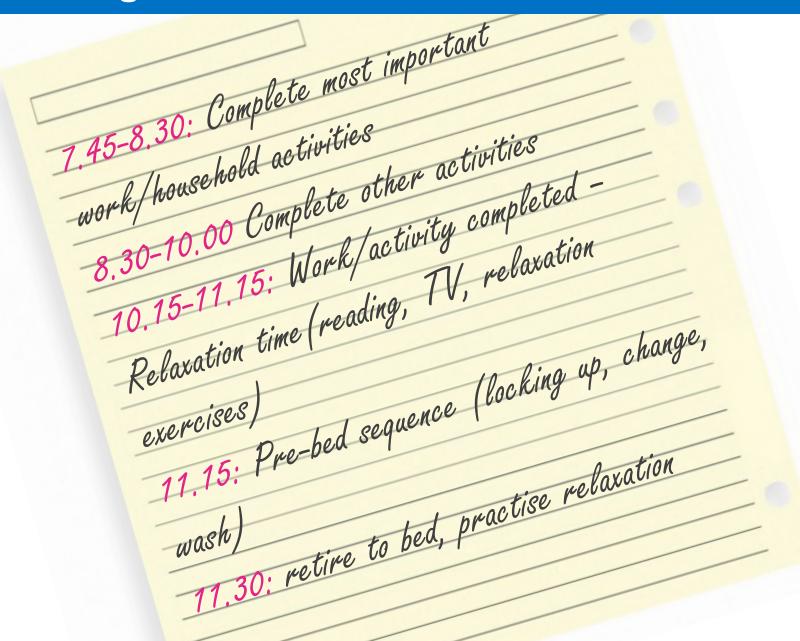


Pre-bedtime Routine

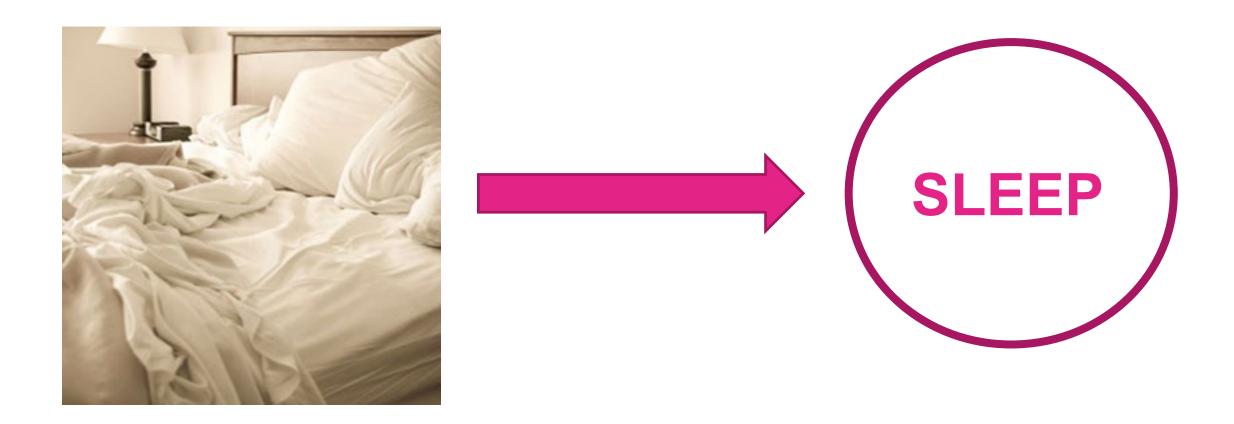
Preparing the mind for sleep

- Should start 60-90 minutes before bed
- This period should help you start unwinding
- 'Putting the day to rest'
 - e.g. put away laptop or work things, turn of email notifications.
- Relaxation activities

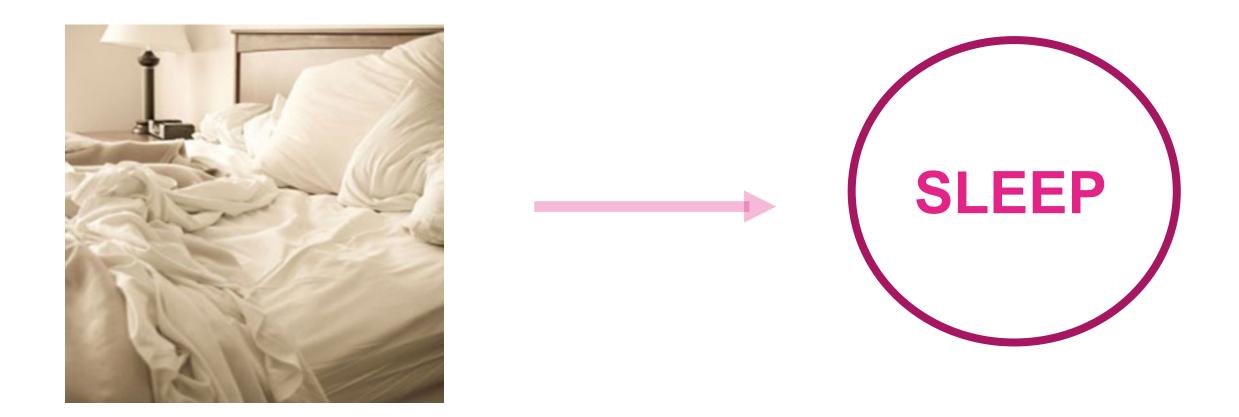
Example evening wind down routine



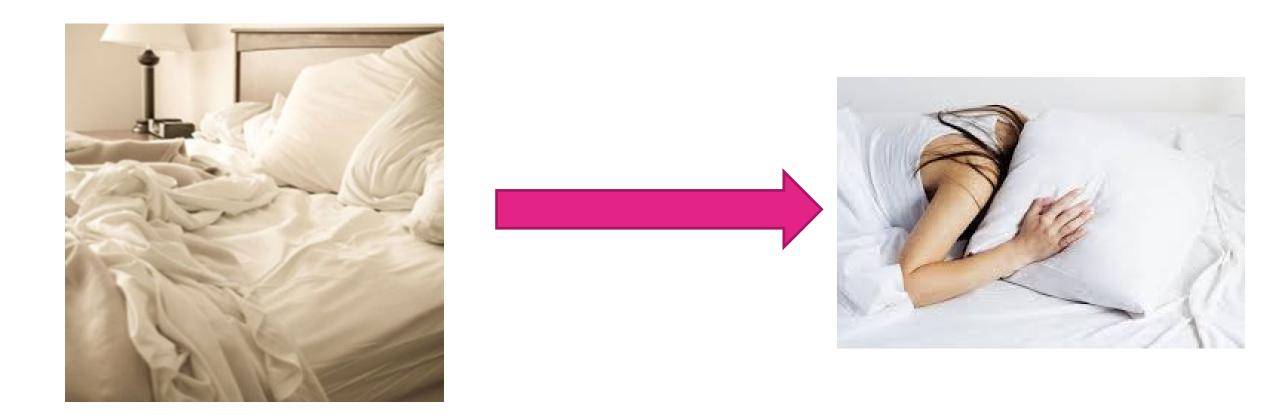




Good sleepers have a strong association between bed and sleep



Poor sleepers have less of a strong association between bed and sleep



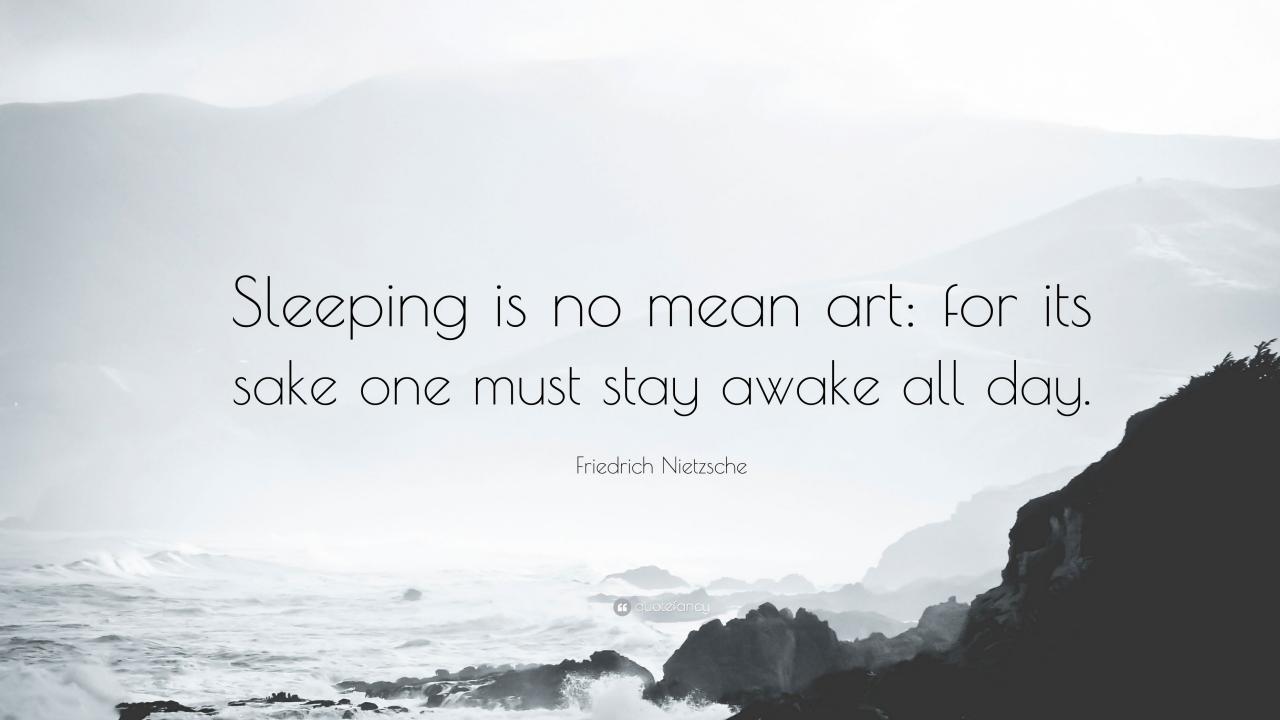
Poor sleepers have a strong association with bed and lack of sleep



The 15 minute Rule

- If sleep does not come within 15 minutes, **get out of bed and go to another room**
- Engage in a relaxing and unengaging activity
- Don't return to bed until you are 'sleepy tired'
- You don't have to wait for 15 minutes
- Don't count down the clock- 15 minutes is an estimate
- This may mean getting up many times at first- keep going!





Step 3: Sleep Restriction



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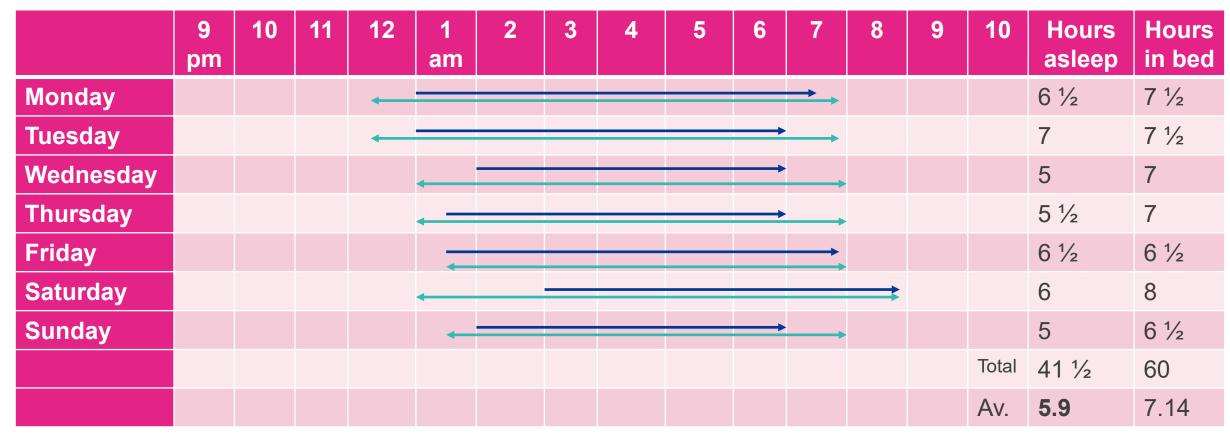
Sleep Restriction Training involves putting into place a new prescribed sleep window (amount of total time allowed in bed) that initially matches the average total sleep time (from a one or two week sleep diary)

Step 3: Sleep Restriction

Stage 1: Determine your allowed time in bed

- Keep a sleep diary for at least 1 week
- Add up the total amount of hours and divide this number by the number of days recorded
- This will give you your current average amount of sleep per night
- This is your new sleep window

Sleep Restriction Diary Example

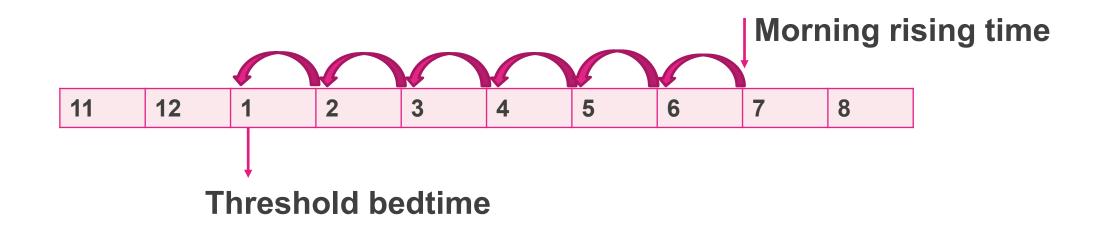




- Stage 2: Set a wake-up time
- Once you have your sleep window (e.g. 6 hours) you should now choose a morning wake time to anchor your sleep around, e.g. 7am

Stage 3: Set a threshold bedtime

- Subtract your average sleep time (6) from your morning rising time (7am).
- This will provide your threshold bedtime. E.g. 1 am



 Once you have your threshold bedtime, you have the earliest point at which you can go to bed.

 This is called the 'threshold' time rather than the 'bed' time as you do not necessarily need to go to bed at this point. The threshold time is simply the earliest time you can go to bed.
 You should only go to bed when you actually feel sleepy.

Step 4: Stick to this sleep schedule as closely as possible for at least two weeks

- If you are sleeping relatively well for most nights and you feel good during the day, keep this sleep schedule.
- If you are feeling tired during the day, add another 15 minutes to your time in bed.

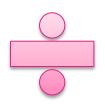
Q: When can I increase my sleep window?

A: Once you are sleeping 90% of the time that you are in bed, for one full week, you can increase your time in bed by 15 minutes, either by going to bed 15 minutes earlier, or by staying in bed 15 minutes later.

You can use the sleep efficiency calculation to help you work this out.

Calculating sleep efficiency:

Total hours asleep (sleep time)



Total hours in bed (sleep opportunity) 100





Sleep Efficiency

Calculating sleep efficiency example

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Summary of how to use steps 2 and 3 together

- 1. Stay up until your threshold bedtime
- 2. Lie down in bed only when you feel sleepy
- Do not use your bed for anything except sleep
- If you cannot get to sleep quickly (within 15 minutes), get up.
- 5. If you cannot fall asleep, repeat step 4.

- 6. If you still cannot fall asleep, repeat step 4.
- 7. If you wake in the night, repeat step 4.
- 8. Get up in the morning at your rising time.
- Do not nap during the day or evening right up to your threshold time
- Follow your program seven days/nights a week.

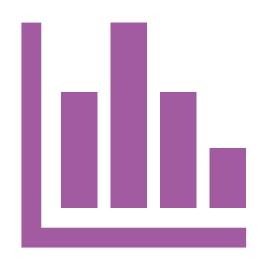
Making Lasting Improvements to your sleep

- 1. Work your way up the steps; try step 1, before moving to 2 or 3. Use all the advice in these steps and try and not pick and choose.
- 2. Recognise that it takes time and that it may be tough to make lasting changes.
- 3. Deal positively with any setbacks.

Take home messages

- We need between 6 and 9 hours sleep.
- Start a pre-bedtime routine 60-90 minutes before bed
- Do not use your bed for anything other than sleep
- 15 minute Rule If sleep does not come within 15 minutes, get out of bed and go to another room
- Avoid napping
- You can improve your sleep efficiency, by restricting the amount of time you spend in bed to your sleep window.

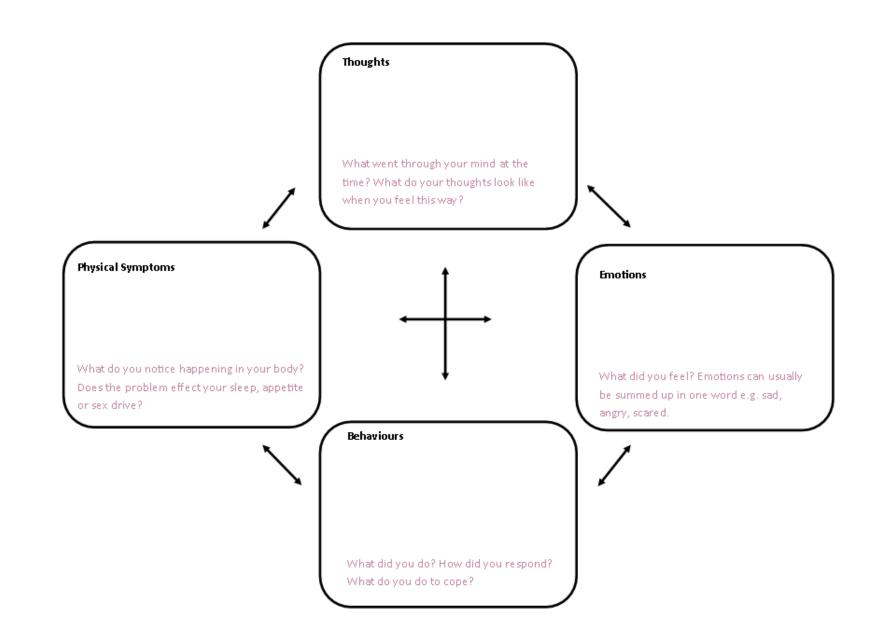
Choose one idea from the webinar you will action this week



Poll:

- A. Pre-bedtime Routine
- B. Bed is for sleep only
- C. 15 minute Rule
- D. Avoid napping
- E. Work out sleep window.

Try it for yourself....



Blank Sleep Diary

	9 pm	10	11	12	1 am	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Hours asleep	Hours in bed
Monday																
Tuesday																
Wednesday																
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For example:

This person has calculated their average amount of sleep to be 6 hours.

They have then set their rising time as 7am, and counted backwards by 6 hours (average sleep time) to reach a 1 am threshold bedtime.

After one week they have then started to set back their bedtime by 15 minutes, making their bed time 12.45 pm.

Coming up...

The next sessions in this webinar series are:

- Tuesday 23rd June Managing Wellbeing
- Tuesday 30th June Managing Anxiety
- Tuesday 07th July Managing Low Mood
- Tuesday 14th July Managing Sleep

You can register for these webinars here:

https://thriveldn.co.uk/resources/coping-well-during-covid/

Getting more help and information

- IAPT Psychological Therapy Services are available and free if you need more help.
- IAPT stands for Improving Access to Psychological Therapies. These NHS funded national services offer free access to evidence based therapies for low mood, anxiety and depression across England. They offer treatment over the telephone, via online platforms and video links. If you think that you or someone you know needs support for low mood, sleep problems depression or anxiety you can self refer to your local IAPT Service.
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- Shout offers confidential 24/7 crisis text support for times when you need immediate assistance. Text "SHOUT" to 85258
- NHS urgent support guidance https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/urgent-support/

Other useful resources and links

- NHS Every Mind Matters https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/?WT.tsrc=Search&WT.mc_id=Brand&gclid=EAlalQobChMlkcjMo-Di6QIVnIBQBh01HQQFEAAYASAAEgKXUfD_BwE
- Mental Health Helplines https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/stress-anxiety-depression/mental-health-helplines/
- The NHS information about COVID-19 is available here: https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/
- CALM have lots of advice and information about mental health https://www.thecalmzone.net/
- Mind are a mental health charity with a wide range of information about mental health https://www.mind.org.uk/
- Citizens Advice offer support and financial advice, if you have problems with your rented home or you need to find out what benefits you can get https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/
- National Debtline is a charity offering free and independent advice over the phone and online https://www.nationaldebtline.org/
- Sleepio is an online sleep improvement programme which delivers tailored and engaging advice, 24/7. https://www.sleepio.com/work/nhs/#/welcome?_k=ua5gib

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