# Self Care and Building Resiliency



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# Part 1 Self Care today

Part 2 Self Care in the Moment February 12

# The February teaser:

# Self-Care in the Moment Prep Poll

# Trauma is the ongoing reality of life. Healing is the ongoing work of life.

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Trauma is the great equalizer of life.

...and the effects of COVID-19 will add to stress and trauma globally and for each of us...





# Why trauma informed care for *me*?

And why is self-care so important for me?

Superman

-Not!





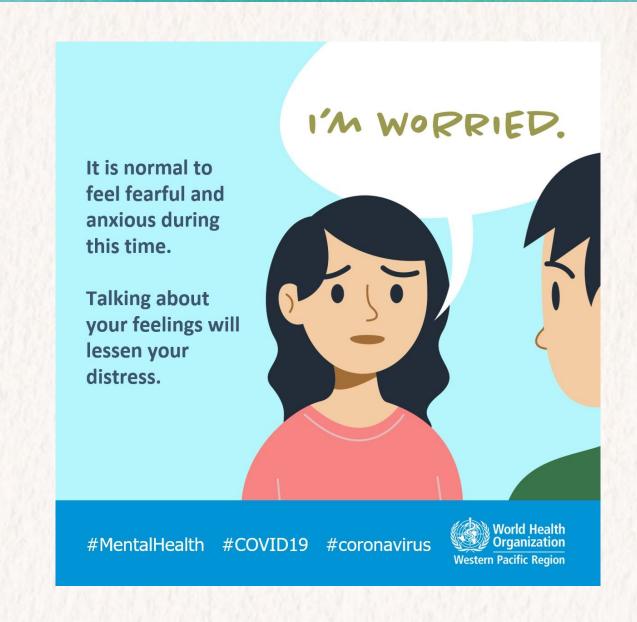






It is normal to be feeling stress and anxiety during these times...

...and it will be important to how you deal with the stress and anxiety.



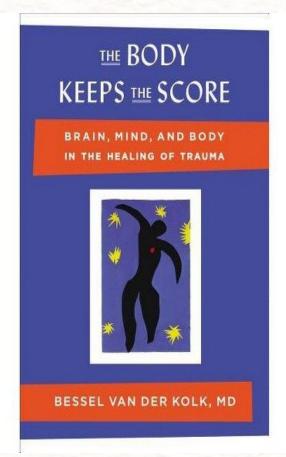
### SELF-CARE IS CRITICAL.....

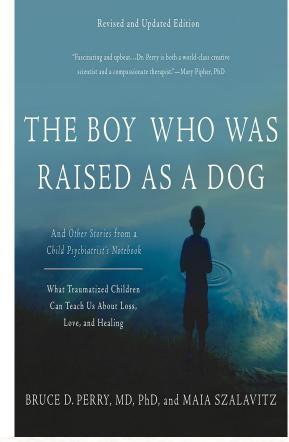
Self-care is not about self-indulgence, it's about self-preservation.

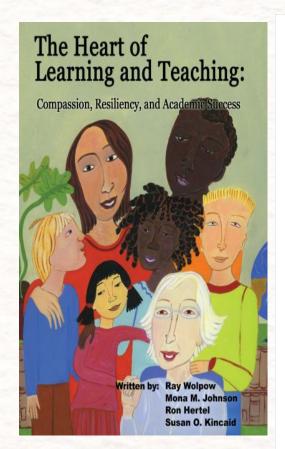
- Audrey Lorde

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## Books that have influenced my work...







"In his new, wise, and utterly approachable book, Dr. Siegel uses beautiful and often remarkable case histories to show us how we can change our minds, brains, relationships, and even the course of certain mental illnesses."

—NORMAN DOIDGE, M.D., author of *The Brain That Changes Itself* 



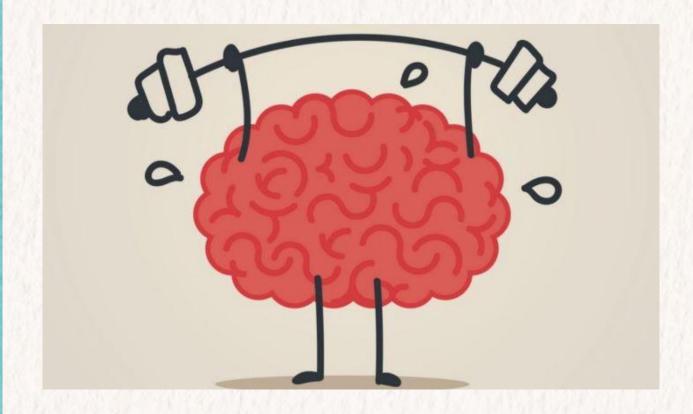
THE NEW SCIENCE OF PERSONAL TRANSFORMATION

Daniel J. Siegel, M.D.

Foreword by DANIEL GOLEMAN, author of Emotional Intelligence

### Tuesday Trauma and Resiliency TIPS

- Week 70 Importance of Physical Activity
- Mailed out across the state
- 5,000+ mailed out each week





# How has this tree survived?

"A tree's beauty lies in its branches, but its strength lies in its roots."

— Matshona Dhliwayo

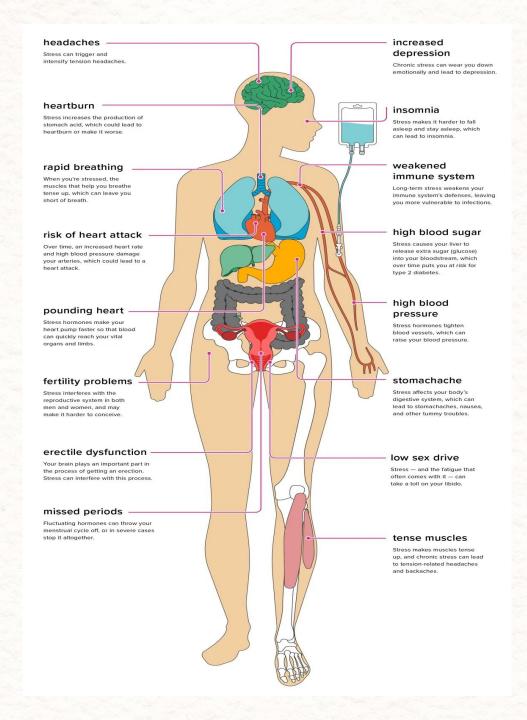




2012 Institute of Heart Math

... that positive emotions create physiological benefits in your body?

And did you know that stress and anxiety affects both the brain and your body?



# The Hand Model of the Brain

What happens when we "flip our lid"

When our brain is working efficiently both the upper and mid brain are communicating effectively. Information comes in and is processed logically. Sometimes too much information is coming in for the Upper brain to process and it disconnects. We "flip our lid" and can no longer access the functions provided by the upper brain

The Cerebrum or Neo Cortex

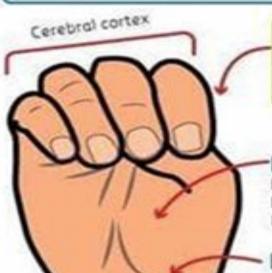
Cerebral cortex

Prefronatal cortex

Upper brain

"Logic centre"
"Thinking brain"

"Upstairs brain'



Your brain working in harmony. All parts are connected and talking. The upper part of the brain can be accessed for logic, socialising and reasoning. Our upper brain is hugging our mid brain, making it feel safe

Brain Stem

Reptilian brain Basic functions Hind brain

Base of Skull Spinal cord Upper and lower parts of the brain are no longer connected and talking. Logic no longer influence emotions. You've "flipped your lid"

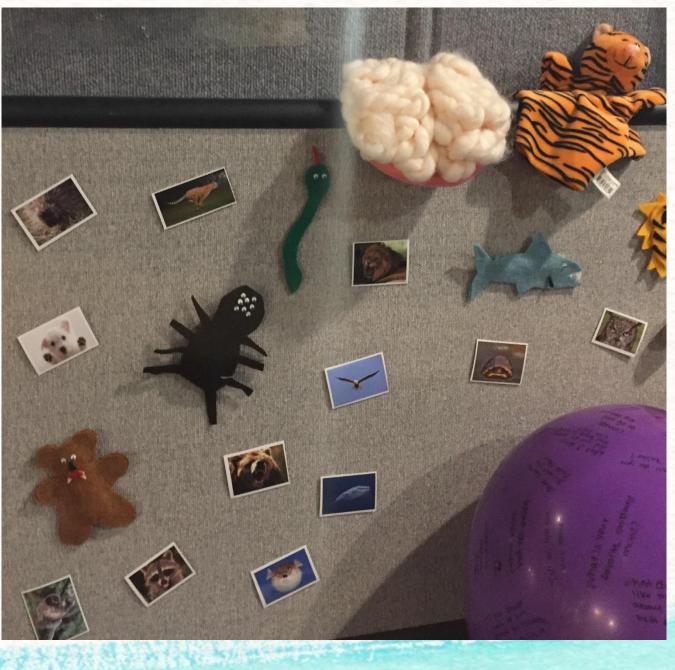
The Cerebellum or Limbic Regions

Hippo campus
Amygdala
Mid brain
"Big feelings"
"Cave man" brain
"Downstairs brain"
Information dump
from the Central
Nervous System



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### When you flip your lid, what animal are you?

- Bear
- Jaguar
- Puppy Dog
- Spider
- Eagle
- Shark
- Snake
- Owl
- Deer

- Racoon
- Turtle
- Tiger
- Porcupine
- Puffer Fish
- Whale
- Sloth
- Chameleon

# Resiliency





#### Hard Things & Stressors:

- Not able to pay bills
- Not enough food to eat
- Violence
- Health problems
- Housing that does not feel safe

#### Things about You:

- Genetics and DNA
- Resiliency/ACE score
- Life story
- Personality

#### Good Things & Resources:

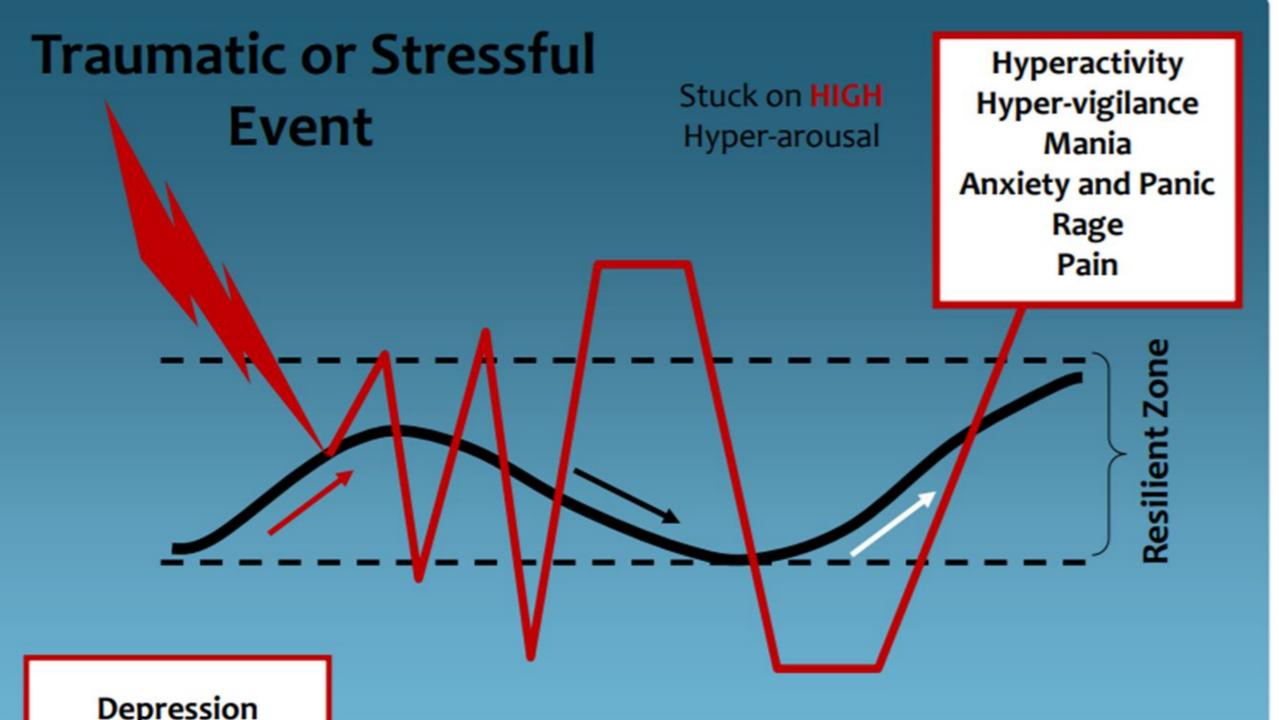
- People that you can count on
- · Dependable transportation
- Safe housing
- A doctor you trust
- Having enough money

Resiliency is when the scale tips toward the good even when there are stressors and hard things.

# The Resilient Zone

When we are in our Resilient Zone, we have the best capacity for flexibility and adaptability in mind, body, and spirit.





### Calm Down Box

What is an item that you would have in your calm down box?



# Creating your own self care box/basket

What would you place in your basket?





## Building your Resiliency Packet starting today...

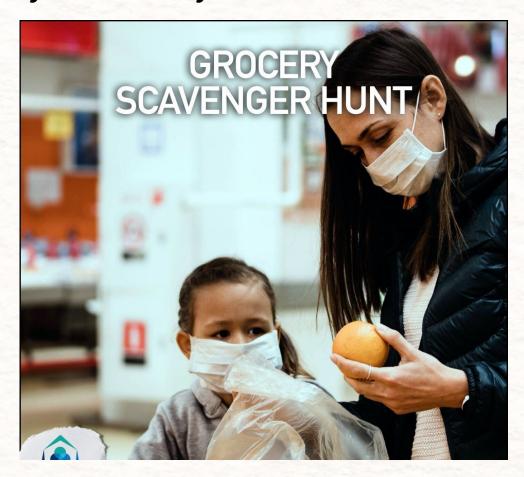
- 5 4 3 2 1 Activity
- Practicing gratitude
- Understanding the Hand Brain Model and learning to self regulate
- Creating your Self Care Box/Basket
- Scavenger Hunts (coming up)
- Positive Word Jar (or an Anxiety/Worry Jar) (coming up)
- Using your resources (all of them) (coming up)

# Relationships do matter...

They really do!



A scavenger hunt can have self regulating effects for you and your child...





# Find our scavenger hunts on our FB page... https://www.facebook.com/PinnacleFamilyServicesOfficial





Making your own scavenger hunt for self care

What would be on the list?



### Indoor Scavenger Hunt

IN A BAG OR BASKET. CHECK THE BOXES

AS YOU FIND EACH ONE.

- A TOY WITH WHEELS
- A BOOK WITH THE FIRST LETTER OF YOUR NAME IN THE TITLE
- A PAIR OF MATCHING SOCKS
- 4 THINGS THAT ARE GREEN
- SOMETHING VERY SOFT
- A TOY SMALLER THAN YOUR HAND
- SOMETHING ROUND
- A BOOK WITH NUMBERS IN IT
- 5 LEGOS THAT ARE ALL DIFFERENT
- A PHOTO OF SOMEONE YOU LOVE
- AN ITEM YOU CAN SEE YOURSELF IN
- AN ITEM THAT MAKES YOU FEEL COZY
- A TOY THAT HAS 3 DIFFERNT COLORS
- A MOVIE THAT HAS "S" IN THE TITLE
- YOUR SNUGGLIEST STUFFED ANIMAL

Ready for snack? Make sure everything gets put back where it belongs!

### Outdoor Scavenger Hunt

IN A BAG OR BASKET. CHECK THE BOXES

AS YOU FIND EACH ONE.

- 5 LEAVES THAT LOOK DIFFERENT
- A STICK THAT IS LONGER THAN YOUR HAND
- A ROCK WITH SPOTS ON IT
- A FLOWER
- A FLAT ROCK
- 10 BLADES OF GRASS
- SOMETHING YOU LOVE TO PLAY WITH
- A PIECE OF TRASH YOU CAN RECYCLE
- SOMETHING THAT IS BROWN
- SOMETHING THAT IS HEAVY
- SOMETHING THAT IS VERY LIGHT
- SOMETHING THAT NEEDS SUN TO LIVE
- AN ITEM SMALLER THAN YOUR THUMB
- SOMETHING THAT STARTS WITH "M"
- SOMETHING THAT SMELLS GOOD

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### Acknowledgements and Resources

- ACES TOO HIGH: <a href="http://acestoohigh.com/">http://acestoohigh.com/</a>
- THE ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES STUDY:

#### HTTP://ACESTUDY.ORG/HOME

• CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION:

#### HTTP://WWW.CDC.GOV/ACE/INDEX.HTM

• DR. BRUCE PERRY AND THE CHILD TRAUMA ACADEMY:

#### HTTP://CHILDTRAUMA.ORG/

• DR. DANIEL SIEGEL PRESENTS HAND MODEL OF THE BRAIN.

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- IN The LOOP PODCAST <a href="https://anchor.fm/jermaine-white69/episodes/S1-Ep-5-The-Importance-of-Self-Care-ecj5mr/a-a1rk9h8">https://anchor.fm/jermaine-white69/episodes/S1-Ep-5-The-Importance-of-Self-Care-ecj5mr/a-a1rk9h8</a>

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### Resources (continued)

- Removed (YouTube)
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- Removed 3 (YouTube)
- Josh Shipp (YouTube) (One Caring Adult Away From Being a Success Story
- Paper Tigers (Amazon Prime)
- Resilience: The Biology of Stress and The Science of Home (Screenings) (KPJR Films)
- The Bad Kids (Netflix)
- The Body Keeps Score (Book: Bessel Van Der Kolk, M.D.)
- The Boy Who Was Raised As a Dog (Book: Perry and Szalvits)
- Mindsight (Book: Daniel J Siegel)
- www.acestoohigh.com
- https://www.naturalhigh.org/

# Self-Care in the Moment Prep Poll

- What Song Inspires you Can't stop this feeling, Justin Timberlake
- Song Calms You Songs with Tibetan Singing bowls.
- Favorite Meal Soul food Collards, Turkey, Mash potatoes, broccoli Casserole
- 4. Comfort Food Soul Food
- Happy Place Beach or Yoga Studio
- Favorite Color Teal blue
- 7. Touch Soft Blanket
- 8. Smell Memory Essential Oil -
- 9. Smell like Candles

- 1. Hobby Yoga, reading
- 2. Dance class Tap, Jazz, Ballet
- Art Yes Middle and High school, Wine and Design
- Writing Class Yes Creative Writing
- Reading Non-Fiction
- Favorite Book Running with Scissors
- 7. Play Middle School

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