Stress and You Series – Week #4

"Able doesn't always mean ready and willing".

What is Your Number 1 Stressor?

- Family?
- Work?
- Environment?

- Social Situation?
- Other?

When do I notice it? _____

Physical Evaluation

Are you experiencing any of the following symptoms?

- Blood pressure
- Elevated heart rate
- Perspiration
- Low energy
- Jumpy
- Upset stomach
- New food intolerances
- Bowel concerns
- Headaches
- Other

Step 1: Decide to Change

Step 2: Decide What to Change





My Plan: Indicate a behaviour or behaviours you would like to consider changing for the better.

<u>Eating</u>

Eating every 2-3hrs (5-6x day) Eat food slowly High on colour, low on process Portions = 2 hands for a meal, 1 for a snack Water!!!

Exercise

Cardiovascular exercise is the best format to reduce stress hormones

20mins in duration or longer

As vigorous as is appropriate for you (see your consultant)

<u>Sleep</u>

Is my bedroom an environment conducive to sleeping?

Am I scheduling myself for sleep?

How do I quiet my mind for sleeping?

Am I eating to help me sleep?

Notes:

