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**BELIEVE** when your friends share their difficulties. Believe in them and know it is normal and that there is help.

**EMPATHY** and non-judgmental listening will help your friends feel heard and accepted.

**SUPPORT** and encourage healthy habits, help connect with resources and be there to lend a hand.

**TRUST** in relationships helps friends feel safe to talk about real life situations.



Mental health is not always easy to understand. Sometimes it's confusing and hard to talk about. Many youth experience mental health concerns - its more normal than you'd think. Talking about it with a caring person helps. Just like any other health concern it is important to know some signs and symptoms. It helps when you understand.

- Mood Changes like sudden sadness, extreme anger or rapid changes in feelings.
- Intense Feelings like extreme excitement, fear, worry or sadness.
- **Behaviour Changes** such as acting out-of-control or being out-of-touch with reality.
- Difficulty Concentrating or staying focused on tasks at hand
- Unexplained Weight Gain or weight loss.
- Physical Symptoms like frequent headaches, bellyaches, heavy breathing and tiredness.
- Self Harm through self inflicted injury (can be either minor or major injuries).
- **Substance Use Problem** alcohol, illegal substances or misuse of prescription medications.

### Self-care ideas for stressful days

Be kind to yourself · Connect with nature · Slow down · Do something you love · Call a friend · Move your body · Listen to music · Write about how you feel · Read a book · Take a moment to breathe · Practice mindfulness · Eat something nourishing · Take a break from technology · Get creative · Find something to be grateful for · Play a sport · Do something kind · Go outside · Celebrate today

# Where to Find Supports

## **Crisis supports**

Kids Help Line | 1-800-668-6868

Kids Help Phone | Text CONNECT to 686868

Fraser Health Crisis Line |604-951-8855

Short Term Assessment Response Team (START) 1-844-782-7811

Mental Health Support Line 310-6789

Emergency Mental Health Crisis | 911 - Car 67

Suicide Prevention Crisis Line | 1-800-784-2433

Suicide Prevention Education and Counselling (SPEAC) 604-584-5811

KUU-US Crisis Reponse Service | 1-800-588-8717 Canada 211 - #211

#### Resources |

Kelty Mental Health Resource Centre | www. keltymentalhealth.ca

Foundry BC | www.foundrybc.ca

Fraser Health Child and Youth Mental Health www.fraserhealth.ca

BC Government Mental Health and Substance Use Supports | www.2gov.bc.ca

Anxiety Canada | www.anxietycanada.ca

Canadian Mental Health Association | www. cmha.ca

Mental Health Commission of Canada

| www.mentalhealth commissionofcanada.ca

Wellness Together Canada: Mental Health and Substance Use support | www.canada.ca

BC Association of Clinical Counsellors

| www.bc-counsellors.org

BC Psychological Association | www.psychologists.bc.ca

### **Child and Youth Mental Health Clinics:**

South Surrey   White Rock	604-542-3900
Surrey   Cloverdale	604-951-5701
Surrey   Newton	604-501-3122
Surrey   Guildford	604-586-2685
Surrey   North	604-951-5960