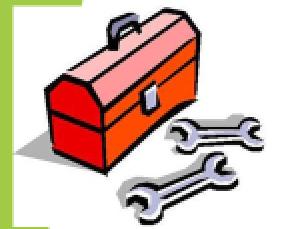


Long Covid Self Management Tool box





### Week 1-Positive Mindset and Change



Solution focused mindset



The cycle of change: small changes lead to big changes, turning vicious cycles into virtuous cycles



Mindset of self-compassion



Mindulness practice



### Week 2 Dysautonomia, PESE, Activity



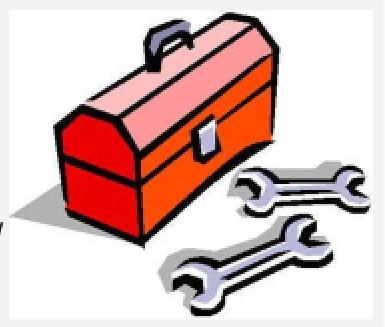




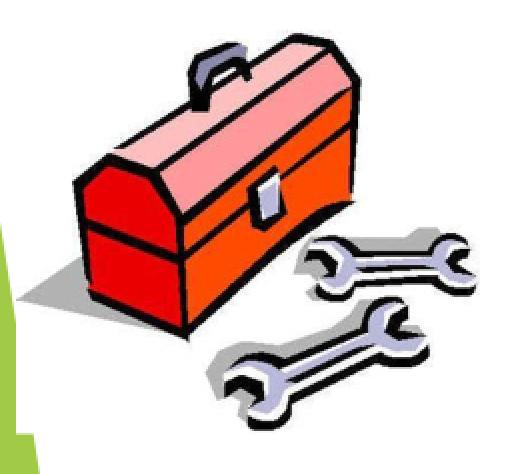
## **SELF-MANAGEMENT TOOLBOX**



- Improved understanding of Fatigue.
- Improved awareness of energy.
- Acceptance exercises that promote realistic thinking and encourage self-management skills.
- Awareness of the benefits of an activity diary and how to complete.
- Skills to make small changes applying energy conservation strategies.



### Self-management toolbox



Breathing exercises

Diaphragmatic breathing

Blow as you go et

- How to apply energy conservation.
- How to use different activities to help your breathing and links to local groups.
- Use mindful breathing
- Recognise the link between your emotions
  and thoughts





## Week 5 Brain Fog



- The Bucket and Water analogy
  - Strategies to improve attention
  - Memory Strategies
  - Executive Function strategies



# Week 6 Fatigue And Sleep

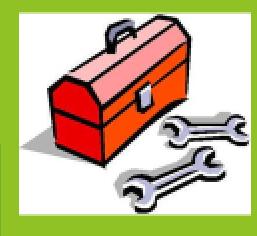
# How to break the boom and bust cycle

The 5 Ps principle



#### Sleep

- Imagery
- Muscle relaxation
- Supportive Apps: sleepio, better sleep
- Putting the day to rest
- · Thought blocking
- · The 15 minute rule





# Week 7 Wellbeing

#### Understanding your stress

Journalling/mood diary

Worry tree

Talking with someone

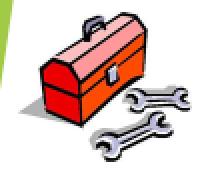
#### **Coping with Stress**

Grounding techniques

Breathing exercises

Relaxation e.g. Inner Smile relaxation





## Week 8 Planning for the future





Remember the Corona Coaster



Clarity on your options with regards to your rights at work



Set your goals as well as your setback plan



Summary of all the Tools and strategies you have learnt over the 8 weeks



Resource list of available support regarding work and finances