

## Take Charge of Your Life Session 6

## Take Charge of **Your** Life What's your plan?

How can we take more responsibility for our own mental health?

**Creating a plan to support our own mental well being.** 

## As a "mentally healthy" person

- you enjoy being with most of the people you know, especially the important people in your life such as family and friends.
- you are usually willing to help a colleague or friend to feel better
- you live a mostly tension free life
- laugh a lot, have few aches and pains
- you enjoy life and have no trouble accepting that other people are different from you and you don't try to change other people
- in difficult situations you might be unhappy, but you generally know why you are unhappy and will try to do something about it

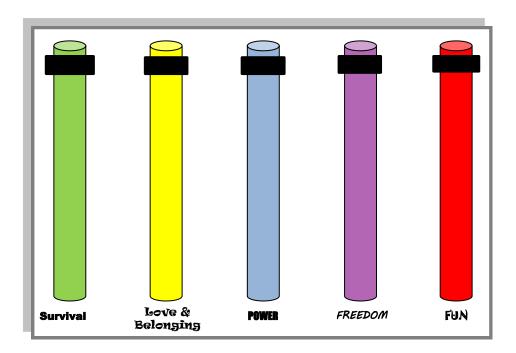
William Glasser (paraphrase)

## OR

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### We feel **good** when we are meeting our **basic needs** – we have our **Quality World** pictures





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#### Activity: The Line

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## Self- evaluation



- 1. Use the magnet sliders on the Needometer to show **"how life is"** for you at the present time
- 2. If **YOU** could choose **one need** to have more of, which would it be?
- Think of some things YOU really want to HAVE, DO or BE in your life (now).

Choose one.

Imagine this did happen– slide the magnets to show what would change for you.

## "WDEP"



- W: What do I want really, really want?
- **D:** What <u>am I</u> doing and what <u>have I been</u> doing to get what I want? What am I **thinking**....
- E: Is what I am doing and thinking helping me to get closer to what I want?
- **P:** What options do I have that could help me get closer to what I want?

Now that I have chosen the "most likely to succeed" option, what is my plan to get me what I want?

#### \*\*WDEP = Want, Doing, Evaluate, Plan

## Finishing off...



Think - about the two questions above the table on p26

Pair - turn to the person next to you

Share – talk together about your answers

Complete the

Table on page 26 for yourself

Research Question sheet that is handed out

"You have brains in your head You have feet in your shoes You can steer yourself Any direction you chose



You're on your own And you know what you know And you are the one who'll decide where to go ... " Today you are You, that is truer than true. There is no one alive who is Youer than You"





# ONLY YOU CAN CONTROL YOUR GUTURE. - Dr. Seuss