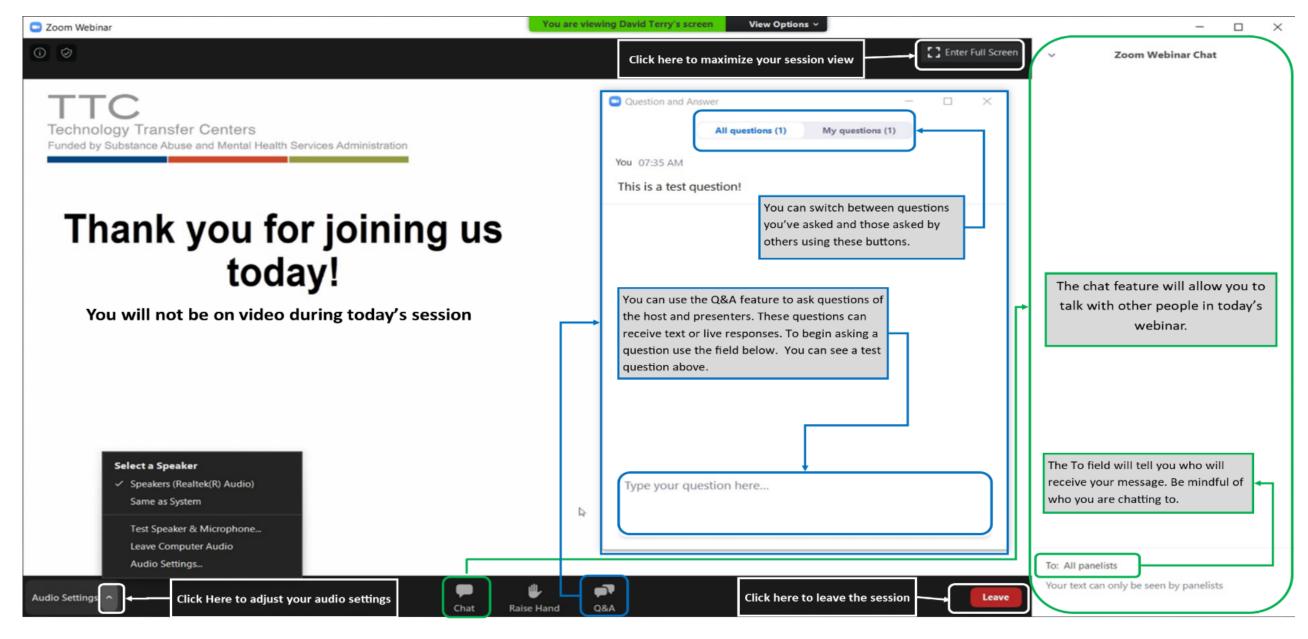
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Flourishing at Work: A Plan for Helping Professionals



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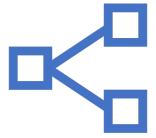
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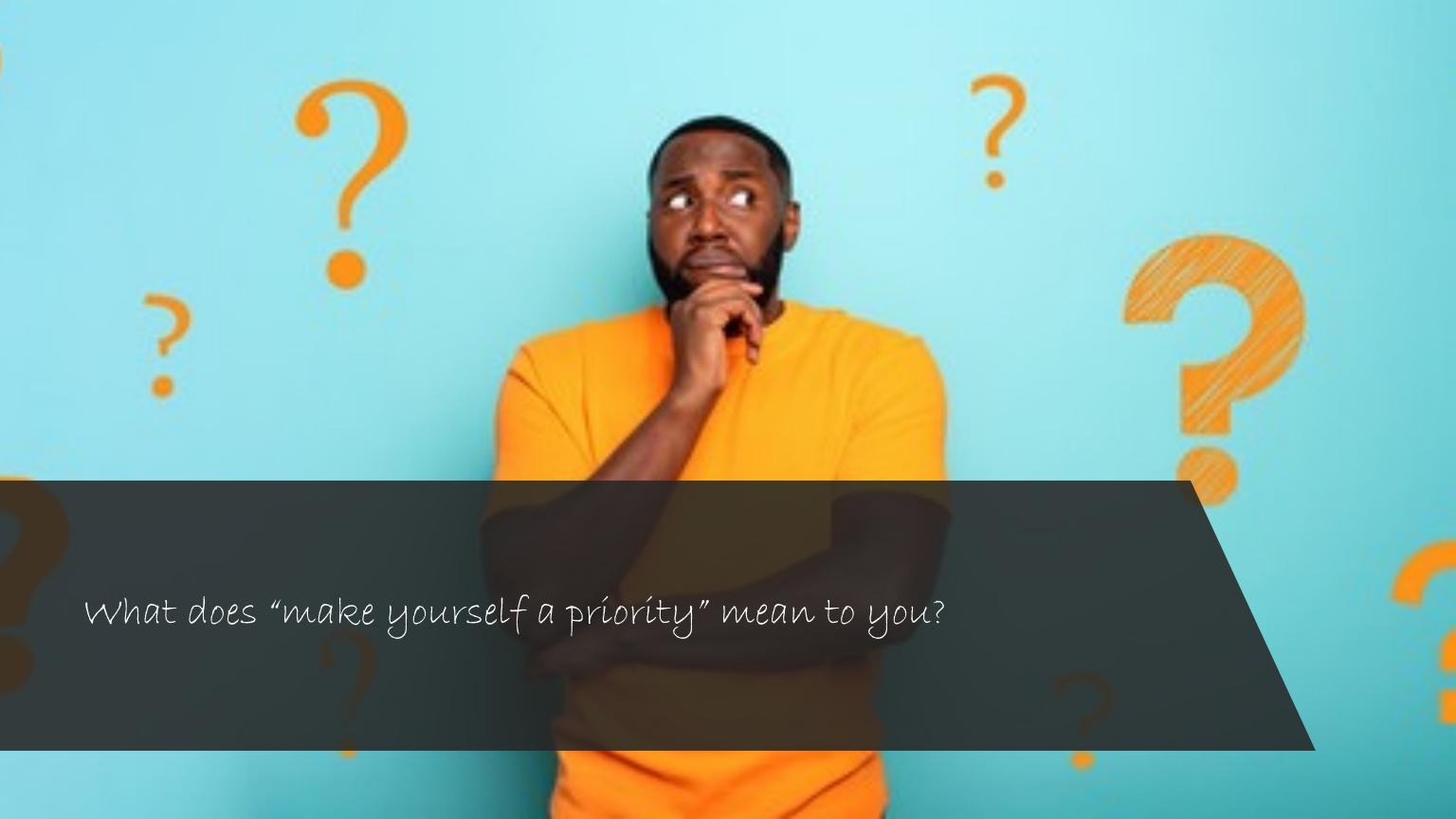




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Explore attitudes and beliefs that promote resilience

Discuss developing a personal plan



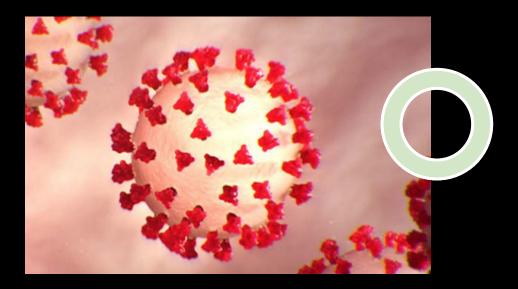
A tough year... especially for helpers





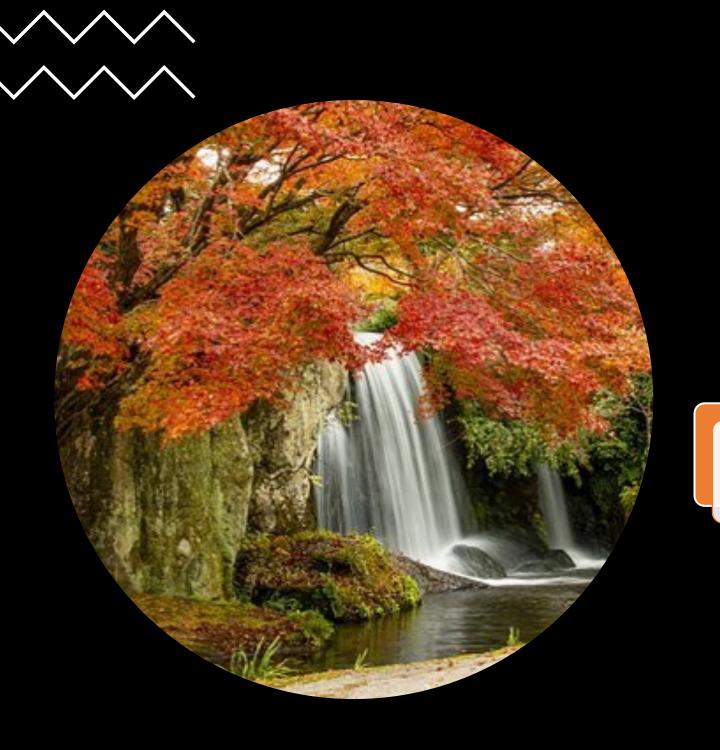






Helping Others

- Valuable role
- Creates stress
- High risk for compassion fatigue and burnout



What Impacts Helper Resilience?

Our Priorities Work factors

Personal factors

Recipient Qualities





- Harder work
- Lower satisfaction
- Risk of burnout

What can we do?

Strategies to Flourish

- Make yourself a priority
- Practice self-care
- Use supports
- Consider your attitudes and beliefs
- Gather resources











Prioritize YOURSELF

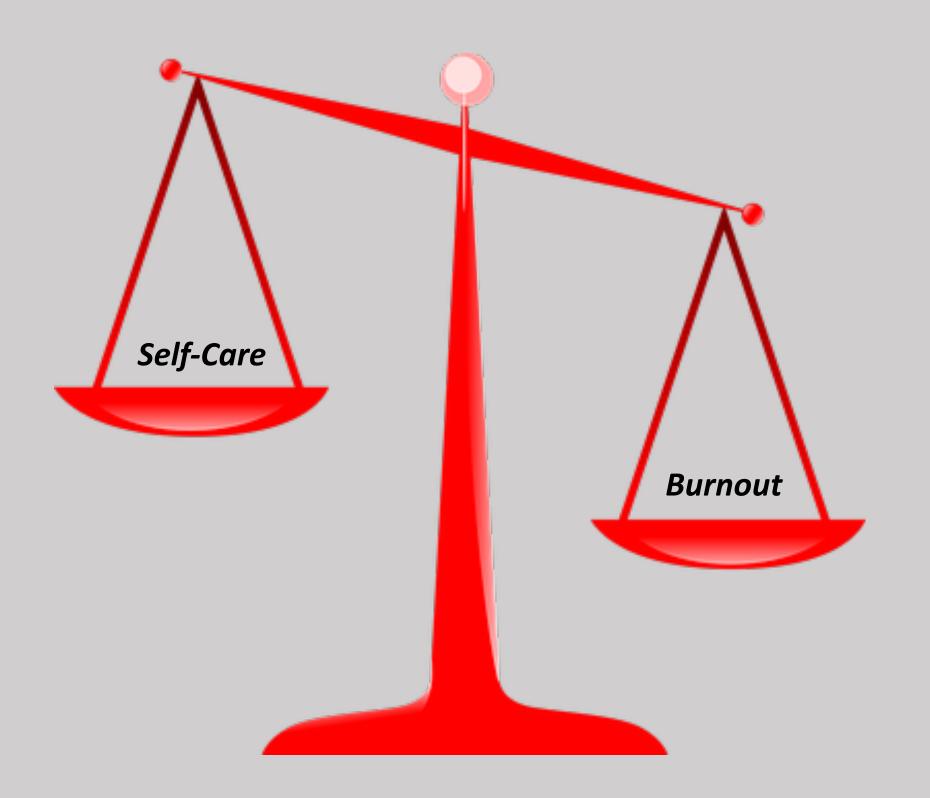
- Help yourself first
- Establish boundaries
- Manage your energy





Self-Care

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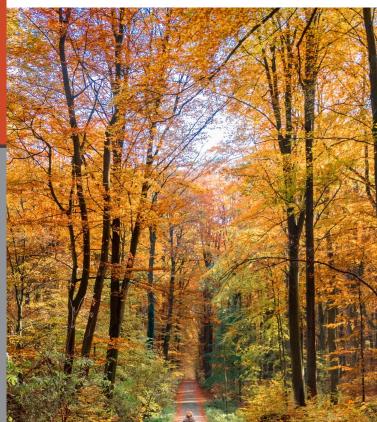














Self-Care

- Awareness
- Variety
- Proactive



Getting Help







Supports

- Family
- Peer support
- Faith/Spiritual communities
- Counseling
- Employee Assistance Programs
- Professional Organizations

Using Your Supports

- Ask SMART-ly
- Ask for help when needed

What gets in the way of asking for help?







- Attentiveness to self
- Actively engaged in life
- Hopeful that some change is possible
- Motivated & Optimistic
- Positive
- Thoughtful
- Willingness

Attitudes

What attitudes or beliefs support making yourself a priority?



- Self-care is important and necessary
- I am as worthy of support as those I help
- A work/life balance is important
- I can take small steps to improve my resilience
- Having self-compassion improves resilience

What beliefs do you need?

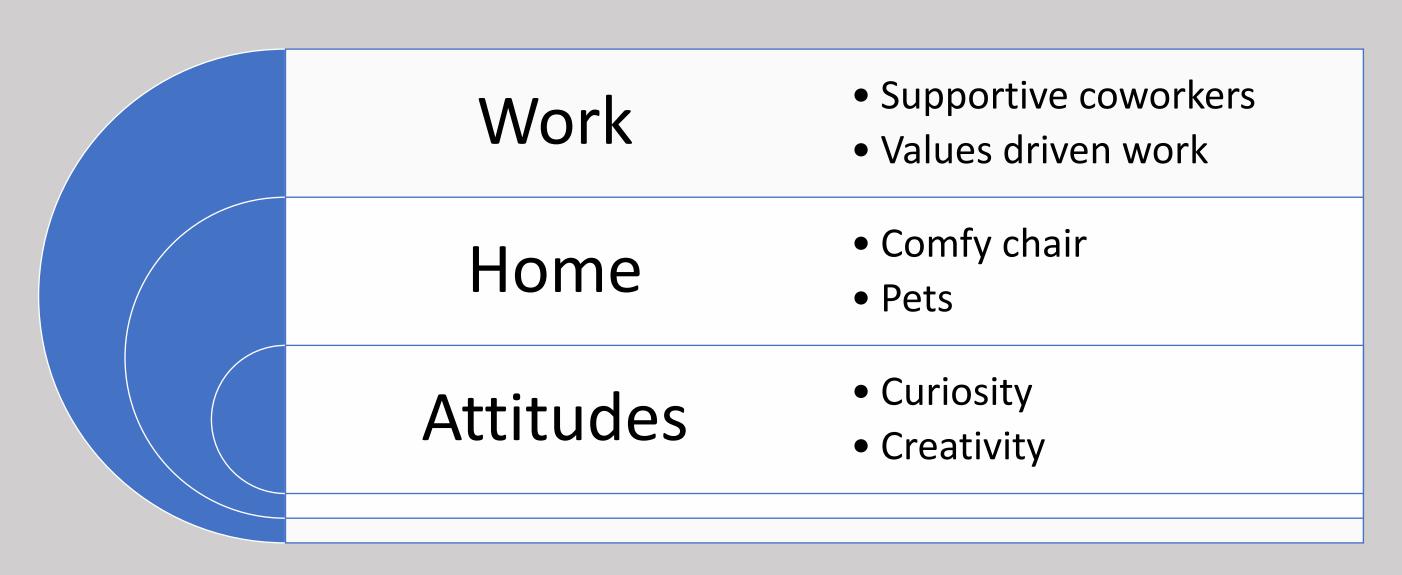




Resources for Resilience

- Prioritizing your well-being
- Using strengths
- Skillsets
- Coping strategies
- Supervision or feedback

My Resources for Flourishing



What resources do you have for flourishing?



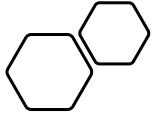
Flourishing: Looking Ahead

- Set intentions
- Build a plan
- Start small
- Take actions every day





Empower yourself - Take a Step





Practice Opportunities

• How do you make yourself a priority?

What gets in the way of making yourself a priority?

• What helps to overcome those challenges?

• What is 1 action you will try to make yourself a priority?

Check in with yourself once a week – write your thoughts down

Summary

- Helpers face stress from work, clients, and life
- Making ourselves a priority can improve resilience
- Self-care builds resilience and reduces burnout
- Supports provide the drive and motivation for resilience
- Resources keep us going



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Session 2: Why Am I Doing This Work? Remembering Your Purpose

Tuesday, December 14 | 2:00-3:00 pm ET

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Tuesday, January 11 | 2:00-3:00 pm ET

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Session 5: Flourishing Strategies - Outside the Box

Tuesday, March 15 | 2:00-3:00 pm ET

Session 6: Build Your Resilience Plan One Day at a Time

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Question and Answer





Resources

- Coronavirus Pandemic Wellness Resources
 https://ppc.sas.upenn.edu/resources/coronavirus-pandemic-resources
- Self-Care Planning: Working Towards Wellbeing

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-oJawXgAhng

VIA Character Survey

https://www.viacharacter.org/survey/account/register

Creating a Life Resource List to Help You Achieve a Goal

https://blog.iqmatrix.com/life-resource-list

How to Cultivate the Resources for Resilience

https://www.mindful.org/how-to-cultivate-the-resources-for-resilience/

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