## Dialectical Behavioral Therapy - Skills Training Quick Reference List

### **Skills Training AAA Model**

Awareness

Acceptance

**Action** 

#### Mindfulness

#### **How Skills**

**What Skills** 

One-mindfully Observe Non-judgmentally Describe Effective Participate

#### **Distress Tolerance**

**Activities** 

Contributing

Comparisons

**E**motion opposites

Pushing away

Thoughts

**S**ensations

**I**magery

Meaning

Prayer

Relaxation

One thing at a X

**V**acation

**E**ncouragement

**T**emperature

Intense physical exertion

Paced breathing

# **Self Soothe with the Senses**

Taste Smell Sight Hearing Touch

## **Pros & Cons**

### **Emotion Regulation Goals**

- Understand Emotional Experience
- Reduce Emotional Vulnerability
- Decrease Emotional Suffering

### **Emotion Regulation**

Physical activity

iLIness treatment

Eat balanced meals

Avoid mood-altering drugs

Sleep balance

Exercise

Mindful to emotion

Action opposite to emotion

**S**elf-validation

Turn the mind

Experience building positives

Radical acceptance

## **Interpersonal Effectiveness**

Describe

**E**xpress

**A**ssert

Reinforce

**M**indful

Appear confident

**N**egotiate

Gentle

Interested

**V**alidate

Easy manner

Fair

Apology free

Stick to values

**Truthfulness** 

### **Problem Solving**

- 1. Identify Problem
- 2. Gather Data
- 3. Analyze Data
- 4. Find Solution

**V**alidate

**I**magine

Take small steps

Applaud yourself

Lighten your load

Sweeten the pot

### **Setting Goals**

**S**pecific

Meaningful

**A**chievable

Recordable

Timeline plan

## **Relapse Prevention**

- Practice Skills Daily
- Enhance Positive
  States
- Disregard Social Pressure

# **Thought Modification**

- Turn the Mind
- Radical Acceptance
- Willingness

### **Behavior Chain Analysis**

- 1. Prompting event
- 2. Problem thought
- 3. Problem emotion
- 4. Target Behavior
- 5. Short term Relief
- Long termConsequence