# **Emergency Comfort Protocol Cards**

Quick Access Relief for Any Phase

## **SOS UNIVERSAL SOS PROTOCOL**

For Sudden Severe Bloating (Any Phase)

## IMMEDIATE RELIEF (0-5 minutes):

- 1. Breathe: 4-7-8 technique (Inhale 4, Hold 7, Exhale 8)
- 2. Hydrate: Sip warm water, ginger tea, or peppermint tea
- 3. Position: Gentle knee-to-chest stretches or child's pose
- 4. Heat: Apply heating pad or hot water bottle to lower abdomen

## **NEXT STEPS (5-15 minutes):**

- 1. Move: Slow walk around house or block
- 2. Massage: Gentle clockwise belly massage
- 3. Rest: Lie on left side with knees drawn up
- 4. **Support:** Text or call someone supportive

## IF SYMPTOMS PERSIST:

- Note what you ate/did in past 2 hours
- Consider digestive enzyme (if you use them)
- Contact healthcare provider if severe
- Don't suffer alone ask for help

## **✓** FOLLICULAR PHASE COMFORT

#### Days 1-7: Gentle Recovery

## **QUICK COMFORT (5 minutes):**

- Warm lemon water + 4-7-8 breathing
- Gentle spinal stretches in bed
- Rate energy/mood on 1-5 scale
- Set one gentle intention

#### **BLOATING RELIEF:**

- Slow walk (even 5 minutes helps)
- Clockwise belly massage
- Warm (not hot) herbal tea
- · Rest on left side

#### WHEN TO REST:

- Still feeling period recovery
- Energy below 3/5
- Digestion feels sensitive

## **♦ OVULATORY PHASE COMFORT**

## **Days 8-14: Peak Energy Management**

## QUICK COMFORT (5 minutes):

- Deep belly breathing (hand on chest, hand on belly)
- Warm ginger or peppermint tea
- Light movement (don't power through pain)
- 2-minute dynamic stretching

## **OVARY BLOAT RELIEF:**

- Heat pack (15-20 min maximum)
- Gentle spinal twists
- Slow walk (don't push intensity)
- Magnesium drink or supplement

#### WHEN TO REST:

- Sharp ovarian pain during activity
- Unusual fatigue despite peak phase
- Digestive distress worsening with movement

## **UTEAL PHASE COMFORT**

**Days 15-28: Sustainable Strength** 

## QUICK COMFORT (10 minutes):

- Heat therapy to lower abdomen
- 4 counts in, 6 counts out breathing
- Warm chamomile or peppermint tea
- Child's pose or supported stretches

#### PMS BLOATING RELIEF:

- Clockwise belly massage (gentle pressure)
- Warm shower or bath
- Call or text supportive person
- Watch something comforting (not stimulating)

#### WHEN TO REST:

- Severe cramps or overwhelming emotions
- Extreme fatigue

Stress making symptoms worse

## MENSTRUAL PHASE COMFORT

#### **Days 1-7: Sacred Rest**

## **CRISIS COMFORT (15 minutes):**

- Heating pad on high for 15 minutes
- Hot ginger tea or warm water
- Fetal position or supported child's pose
- Slow, deep belly breaths

#### PERIOD EMERGENCY:

- Hot shower or bath (as hot as comfortable)
- Anti-inflammatory if you use them
- Very gentle movement (bathroom to bed)
- Ask for help with responsibilities

#### WHEN TO REST:

- Heavy flow days
- Severe cramping
- Extreme fatique
- Remember: Rest is medicine, not laziness

## 🚨 RED FLAGS - SEEK IMMEDIATE HELP

#### **Call Healthcare Provider NOW:**

- Sudden severe pain (different from usual pattern)
- Heavy bleeding (soaking pad/tampon every hour)
- Fever with digestive symptoms

- Persistent nausea/vomiting
- Fainting or dizziness
- · Pain preventing sleep or normal activities

## **Trust Your Instincts:**

- If something feels seriously wrong, get help
- You know your body best
- Don't minimize severe symptoms
- · Advocate for yourself



## COMFORT TOOLKIT CHECKLIST

## **Keep These Handy:**

☐ Heating pad or hot water bottle
☐ Ginger tea bags
☐ Peppermint tea bags
☐ Chamomile tea bags
☐ Comfortable loose clothing
☐ Supportive pillow or bolster
☐ Phone numbers of supportive people
☐ List of healthcare providers
Digital Comfort:
☐ Meditation app with pain management
☐ Playlist of calming music
☐ Favorite comforting videos bookmarked
☐ This protocol card saved to phone



## 😋 COMFORT MANTRAS BY PHASE

## **Universal:**

- "This is temporary"
- "My body is doing important work"
- "I deserve comfort"
- "It's okay to slow down"

#### Follicular:

- "Gentle is enough today"
- "I'm building energy slowly"
- "Recovery takes time"

## **Ovulatory:**

- "I can rest even during peak energy"
- "Sharp pain means stop and care for myself"
- "My body's signals are wisdom"

#### Luteal:

- "PMS symptoms are real and valid"
- "I don't have to earn comfort"
- "Strength includes asking for help"

## Menstrual:

- "Rest is productive"
- "My body is doing sacred work"
- "I honor my natural rhythms"

## **L** EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Fill in your support network:	
Healthcare Provider:	
Emergency Contact:	

Supportive Friend/Family: Pharmacy:	
Crisis Text Line: Text HOME to 741741  National Health Hotline: [Your country's number]	
Remember: You don't have to suffer alone. Comfort is not selfish - it's necessary.	
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