

Frontline Wellness Program – The Coping Club

Topic: Work/Life Balance

Material:

The Stress Bucket - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1KYC5SsJjx8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1KYC5SsJjx8</a>

Healthy work-life balance refers to maintaining a harmonious relationship between your work and personal life. It involves consciously managing your time and energy to meet both professional and personal commitments while prioritizing self-care and well-being.

achieving a healthy work-life balance may vary from person to person, depending on individual circumstances and preferences. It's important to find a balance that works for you and promotes your overall well-being.

## Why is work/life balance important?

Workaholics and those who struggle to practice self-care find themselves at higher risk for burnout, fatigue, and stress-related health issues. Poor work-life balance can also leave employees working more hours but being less productive.

## unhealthy work-life balance can look like:

Constant overwork: Regularly working long hours, including weekends and holidays, without sufficient time for rest, relaxation, or personal activities

Neglected personal life: Sacrificing personal relationships, hobbies, and leisure activities due to excessive work demands

Burnout: Experiencing physical, mental, and emotional exhaustion due to chronic stress and workrelated pressure

Lack of self-care: Failing to prioritize self-care activities, such as exercise, adequate sleep, and leisure time resulting in deteriorating physical

Strained relationships: Difficulties in maintaining healthy relationships with family, friends, and loved ones due to work-related commitments

Prioritizing occupational needs over personal values and goals

## Strategies:

Practice time management
Nurture relationships
Focus on your health
Self-care/down-time

Reconsider work that makes you yearn for balance

Find something you love outside of work to engage in
Practice mindfulness
Practice time management
Turning down over-time
Schedule both work and play
Prioritize play
Be flexible in our schedule
Reflect on your finances
Plan ahead
Scheduling things to look forward to
Allow for free time

Nurture relationships

Positive relationships and social support help build resilience and lead to more adaptive ways to cope with stress.

Strong relationships take time to nurture and develop.

Set boundaries

Make time for loved ones

Pursue new relationships

find something you love outside of work to engage in
New hobby, interests, passion, re-spark an old hobby or interest
Join a friend in their hobby or interest
Try something new - join a club, class, league

"Never get so busy making a living that you forget to make a life."

– Dolly Parton

## **Contact Us:**

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To connect with group facilitators email frontlinewellness@waypointcentre.ca

Resources: