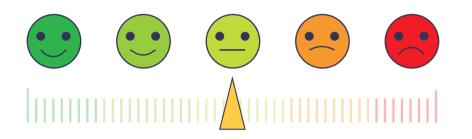


Healthcare Professionals Group

Preventing Burnout in the Workplace

### WHAT IS BURNOUT?

Burnout is defined as workplace stress that has not been successfully managed.



## MANAGEMENT

### **HOW TO PREVENT BURNOUT**

- Listen to work-related problems
- Encourage teamwork
- Focus on strengths-based feedback
- Make everyone's opinion count
- Make work purposeful



### **HOW TO COMBAT BURNOUT**

- Set role expectations



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### WHAT COULD BE THE CAUSE?

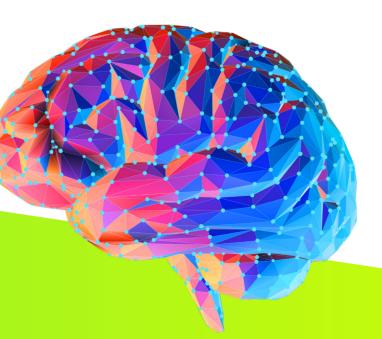
- **Unfair** treatment at work
- Unmanageable workload
- **Unclear** communication
- Lack of management support
- **Unreasonable** time pressure



### **IDENTIFYING THE SIGNS**

- Are you feeling **exhausted**?
- Are you **mentally distant**?
- Are you **less efficient**?
- Are you motivated to learn & grow?

• Ensure reasonable workload • Make **wellbeing** part of your culture • Reduce noise & interruptions • Design jobs to **allow for autonomy** 



### **EMPLOYEES**, **FIND YOUR BALANCE!**

CONTROL Set work boundaries.

COMMUNITY Creating a workplace community is essential to feeling supported.

#### **TASK BALANCING** Swapping between tasks of varying difficulty.

**MENTAL & PHYSICAL BREAKS** Read, meditate, listen to music, rest, exercise, play sports...





There are four chemicals that our brains release which make us feel happy:

#### Dopamine, Oxytocin, Endorphins, Serotonin.

We can release these in our brains naturally by doing certain activities:

Dopamine REWARD HOW TO RELEASE THIS CHEMICAL:  $\bigcirc$  Completing a task Seating Self-care activities Celebrating little wins



### PAIN KILLER **HOW TO RELEASE THIS CHEMICAL:**

⊘ Laughter encourage jokes! ✓ Dance celebrations

✓ Dark chocolate

**S** Exercise

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Oxytocin

### LOVE HORMONE **HOW TO RELEASE THIS CHEMICAL:**

#### **AT HOME**

#### **AT WORK**

- Playing with a pet
- Hugging family
- Praise good work

✓ Compliment colleagues

Serotonin

# **MOOD STABILISER**

**HOW TO RELEASE THIS CHEMICAL:** 

- **Walking in nature perhaps** on your way home
- Take your break in the sun
- ✓ Meditation

- **O** Running
- ✓ Cycling
- Swimming



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