HEALTHY COPING STRATEGIES

Begin living now

Stop living in the future/past

Stop asking to be rescued

Stop waiting and marking time

Write a journal of your daily activities, thoughts, moods

List your successes

Listen to feedback from others

Set goals realistically

Make friends with people who like themselves

Think positively

Learn what is controllable in your life and what isn't

Enjoy leisure

Be honest about how you feel

Meditate daily

Read about human growth

Pretend you are a perfect parent to yourself

Figure out ways to achieve your goals

Stop collecting people with problems

Take a continuing education course

Stop rescuing people

Learn to accept what you cannot change

Stroke yourself-give yourself a pat on the back, Good job, Well done

Surface your feelings

Let other people run their own lives

Think to solve problems rather than depending on "magical powers"

Get acquainted with happy, successful people

Expect to enjoy your relationships

Develop your personal talents

Give yourself permission to be afraid of failure and success

Experiment with your behaviors

Stop feeling sorry for yourself

Relax, get enough rest

Stop talking about your miseries

Stop looking for someone to blame

Stop reflecting on things that didn't work out

Analyze problems, figure out what can be done, and then take some action immediately

Exercise regularly

Ask for help in a straight forward way

Talk about your strengths

Encourage others to feel good

Practice good posture

Control your food input, eat nutritionally

Stop assuming others can't get along without you