Navigating Change Your Practical Toolkit

Safety Talk **Employee Resource**

The Five A's approach to change management and DEAR communication method are two helpful tools to help build your resilience when navigating change at work.

Five A's of Change*

Adapt

- Skill transition, such as:
 - Virtual event management
 - Online content creation
 - Alternative industry roles

Accept

- Control inventory exercise
- Focus areas: LinkedIn. certifications, professional groups

Anticipate

- Change preparation toolkit
- **Budget planning**
- Alternative employment list
- Support network check-ins

Avoid

- 5-4-3-2-1 grounding technique
- Self-care essentials
- Stress management

Alter

- 15-minute "worry window" technique
- 2-minute rule
- Quick action items checklist

DEAR Communication Method

- Describe the situation
- Express your feelings
- Assert what you need
- Reinforce the positive outcome you expect

Additional Resources

Crisis Lines: 1-800-784-2433 or 9-8-8 Mental Health Support Line: 310-6789

Drug and Alcohol Info & Referral: 1-800-663-1441 Mental Health Services: helpstartshere.gov.bc.ca Mental Health Information: heretohelp.bc.ca Free Wellness Program: bouncebackbc.ca









^{*}Adapted from Workplace Strategies for Mental Health