## **Mindfulness for Caregivers**

"Mindfulness based stress reduction (MBSR) is a strategy for increased coping and decreased reactivity to physical and emotional difficulties. MBSR sessions introduce caregivers to mindfulness practice in the form of sitting meditation, body awareness and mindful movement".

This evidence based intervention covers the following topics:

- A different way to work with stress
- Paying attention
- Taking hold of your mind
- Working with emotions part 1
- Working with emotions part 2
- Cultivating happiness

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