# TAKING CHARGE OF NEGATIVE EMOTIONS

## 1. TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF

Take care of your body. See a doctor when necessary and follow your doctor's advice.

### 2. BALANCE EATING

Don't eat too much or too little. Stay away from foods that make you feel overly emotional.

### 3. DON'T ABUSE DRUGS OR ALCOHOL

Stay off non-prescribed drugs, including alcohol.

### 4. BALANCE SLEEP

Try to get the amount of sleep that helps you feel good. Keep to a sleep program if you are having difficulty sleeping.

## 5. GET EXERCISE

Do some sort of exercise every day; try to build up to 20 minutes of vigorous exercise.

# 6. BUILD UP YOUR SKILLS

Try to do one thing a day to make yourself feel competent and in control.

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