Bringing compassion to our experiences of working in healthcare

Session Two

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Session One Recap

- Why we need compassion
- Definition of compassion (two parts)
- Humans experience a range of evolved motivations compassion is one
- A mind that doesn't know itself can be dangerous
- We all just find ourselves here
- We are social shaped
- We have tricky brains
- We have two types of nervous system
- Soothing rhythm breathing can help stimulate our rest and digest nervous system

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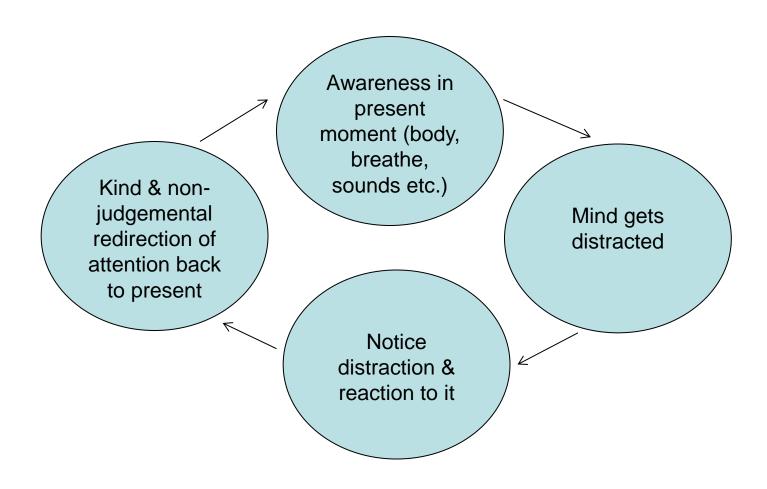
- Role of mindfulness in compassion
- Different types of emotion
- Impact of covid
- The flows of compassion
- Practice compassion to ourselves

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Incentive/resourcefocused

Wanting, pursuing, achieving, consuming

Excited

Soothing System

Non-wanting/ Affiliative focused

Safeness-kindness Content

Threat-focused

Protection and Safety-seeking Behaviours, Emotions, Thoughts Anger, Anxiety, Disgust

Threat System difference

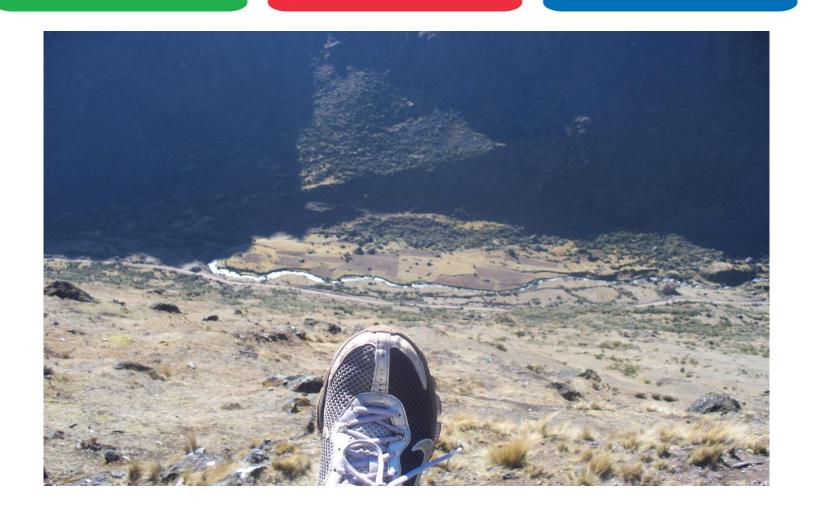
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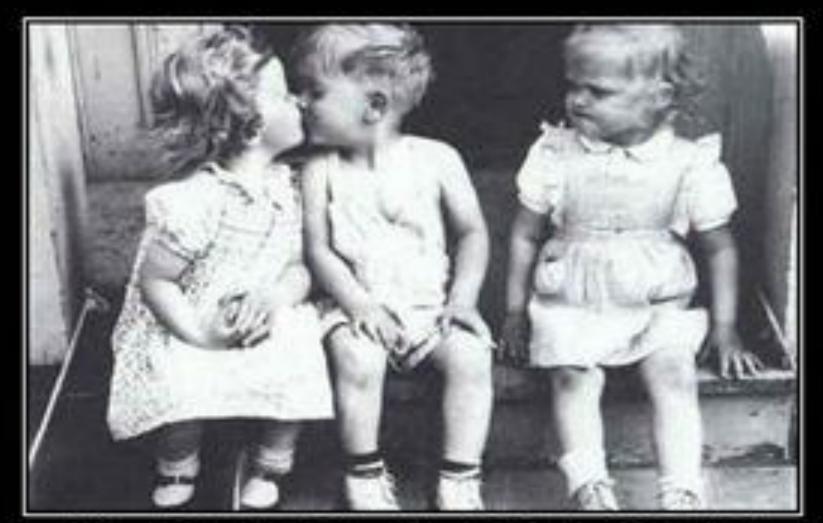
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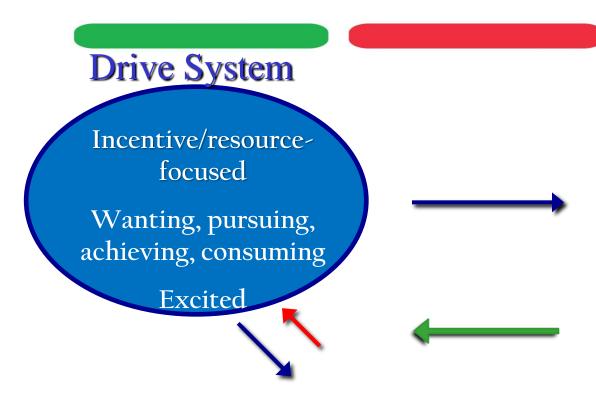
It starts from an early age. Get used to it!



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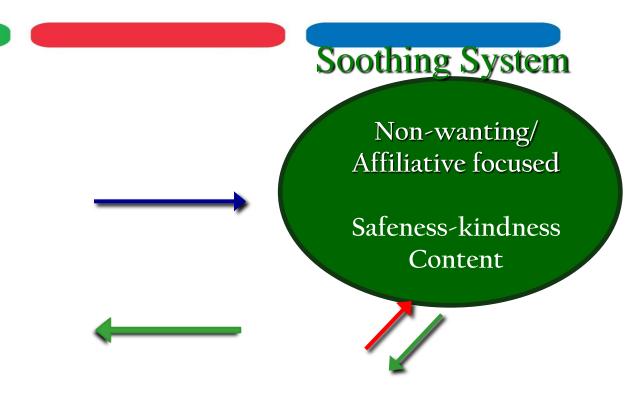
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Space/energy for learning? Threat-based striving

PPE impact Isolation/distancing Usual soothing activities? How do we SAFELY relate

Fear of illness Loss of loved ones Increased demands Balancing life/work Money worries Vaccine impact

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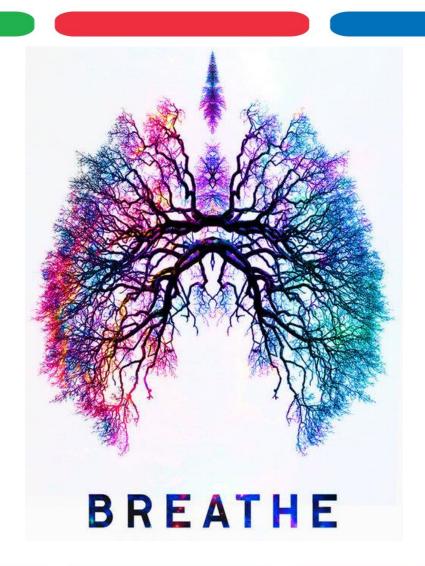
The Flow of Compassion

- Compassion for others
- Compassion for self
- Receiving compassion from others

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