# World Mental Health Day

## Parents and Children: A Strong Mental Health Connection

When parents and caregivers are emotionally well, you are better equipped to provide a supportive environment, fostering security and confidence in your kids. The reverse is also true. Your child's well-being can impact your mental health, creating a cycle of care that benefits the entire family. This year on World Mental Health Day, we encourage you to make good mental health a priority for you and your child.

Start with RethinkCare's course, <u>Parenting 1: Stress</u> to learn mindful ways to manage stress.

RethinkCare is available *at no cost to you*. Visit connect.rethinkcare.com/sponsor/paypal using code: paypal to enroll.







# World Mental Health Day Resources

These RethinkCare resources can help you learn mindfulness practices and resilience strategies to support your mental health and the mental health of your child. For more individualized support, schedule a 1:1 consultation with a Board-Certified Parenting Expert <a href="here">here</a>. All RethinkCare resources are available <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/at.10



## Courses

- Mental Health Parenting Skills:
   Mental Health Skills for Parents
   course
- Mental Health Parenting Skills:
   Parenting 1: Stress, Parenting 2:
   Patience courses
- Practice Mindfulness With Your Child: <u>Create Mindful Moments</u> course
- Try Journaling: <u>Mindful Parenting</u>



## Tip Sheets & Articles

- Tip Sheet: <u>Mental Health</u>
   <u>Awareness: Supporting Your</u>
   <u>Child's Mental Health</u>
- Article: <u>Addressing the Mental</u>
   <u>Load for Parents and Caregivers</u>
- Toolkit: <u>Family Stress</u>
   <u>Management</u> (Scroll down to "Extras")



## **On-Demand Webinars**

- On-demand webinar: <u>The Power</u> of <u>Mindfulness</u>: <u>How to Train the</u> <u>Mind for Focus and Connection</u>
- On-demand webinar: <u>From</u>
   <u>Stressed Out to Your Best Self:</u>

   <u>How to Manage Emotions as a</u>
   <u>Working Parent</u>



## **Additional Resources**

Family Toolkit for Stress Management

RethinkCare educational tools and resources to help parents support families with stress management.

## BEHAVIORALLY SPEAKING PODCAST EPISODES

- Stress Management for Kids and Teens
- Encouraging Kids to Help Out at Home
- Prioritizing Parental Self-Care and Work/Life
   Balance



### **Family Toolkit for Stress Management**

Stress has a purpose. It's a normal response to changes and challenges that we need to prepare for, adapt to, or guard against. When we have the right support, stress helps us focus our efforts, persevere towards our goals, rise to a challenge, and try new things. However, stress becomes harmful when we do not have a break from it, or it becomes chronic. It can also be harmful when we lack the support or the coping skills to manage it. The toolkit below provides educational tools and resources to support you and your family with stress management.

#### Stress Management for Parents/Caregivers

Learn about stress and how it affects our thoughts, feelings, and behaviors.

Step 1: Watch your RethinkCare lesson on understanding and Managing Stress for adults

Step 2: Review your RethinkCare course on Parenting Stress

Step 3: Read your RethinkCare Beyond the Video article for strategies on stress management

Step 4: Dive deeper and review your RethinkCare article on Support Systems

Review what you have learned and take the quiz on stress management.

### Below are more resources to consider:

- Learn how Behaviorally Focused Parent Training is a key driver in reducing stress and increasing confidence in parents
- ✓ Reflect on how Parental Self-Compassion can improve your wellbeing
- ✓ Try <u>Habit Replacement</u> strategies for managing stress
- ✓ Learn How Stress Affects your Body and impacts our behaviors
- ✓ Learn strategies for Controlling the 4 Sources of a Racing Mind



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