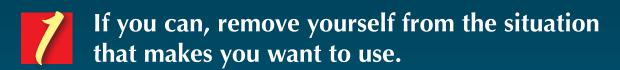
I'm Worried About my Substance Use... What Can I do to Help Myself?



- List the things that make you feel good that you can do instead of using a substance (e.g., go for a walk, eat, shower, play with the dog)
- Think about this: are there people and places in your life that you need to avoid?
- Identify who the people are who support you in healthy ways.
- Think about ways you can learn to calm yourself. Deep breathing, visualization, self-talk are some of the strategies for getting calm.
- Can you delay using substances by making a plan? Prolong the time in between use?
- What are things you can do to distract yourself from thinking about using?
- Who can you ask to help you with your plan to limit your use?
- Believe in yourself and your ability to change your own behaviour.
- Consider talking to a professional who can help (e.g., a doctor, a counsellor, a crisis worker).



If you're struggling with substance use, we have the resources to help you make changes.



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