The Stress Continuum Model Helps us Recognize Stress Early and Move it to the More Manageable 'Colors' of the Continuum

READY

REACTING

INJURED

Definition

- Rested
- Restored
- Relaxed

Features

- Calm and Steady
- Time for self care
- Motivated

Your Role

- Maintain self care and stay connected
- Able to help others

Definition

- Strained
- Normal daily stress
- Able to recover

Features

- •Feeling irritable, anxious or down
- Loss of focus or motivation
- Difficulty sleeping

Your Role

- Monitor your own wellbeing
- Alternate exertion w/ rest

Definition

- Becoming harmed by stress
- Persistent strain

Features

- Not feeling like oneself
- Loss of control panicky
- Excessive worry, guilt, anger, hopelessness

Your Role

- •Recognize stress injuries early
- •Remember and use the STRIDE approach

<u>Causes</u>

Wear and tear Loss
Moral Injury Traumatic stress

Definition

- •Impairment in functioning
- Impact on quality of life

Features

- Unaddressed OrangeZone Stress injuries
- Persistent and severe symptoms of distress

Your Role

- Accepting support
- Link into care
- Recovery mindset
- •Gradual return