# Exercise sheet DISSOCIATION MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES



| TYPE OF STRATEGY | STRATEGY        | DESCRIPTION OF<br>TECHNIQUE IF NECESSARY |
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|                  | O Counting down |                                          |

|                                 | <ul> <li>Watch a very interesting<br/>documentary</li> </ul>                                                                        |                                                                        |
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| Concentration<br>technique      | Read something<br>interesting                                                                                                       |                                                                        |
|                                 | <ul> <li>Give the names of famous authors as quickly as possible</li> <li>Sing a song</li> </ul>                                    |                                                                        |
| Emotional calming<br>techniques | List of strategies<br>emotional regulation<br>(Take a look at the resource<br>« managing emotions, I react in a<br>different way ») |                                                                        |
|                                 | <b>o</b> 5, 4, 3, 2, 1                                                                                                              | <ul> <li>Ask the patient to<br/>tell you 5 things (s)he can</li> </ul> |

### Grounding strategies

### • The colour game

see, 4 things (s)he can hear,
3 things (s)he can touch,
2 things (s)he can feel,
1 positive thing about him/
herself

 Ask the patient to cite as quickly as possible
 3 blue objects in the room, then 2 green objects...



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| Other grounding techniques                       | • Focusing on the object                                   | <ul> <li>Ask the patient to<br/>describe an object with<br/>as many details as possible:</li> </ul> |
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|                                                  | <ul> <li>Focus on<br/>tasting food</li> </ul>              | what (s)he can see,<br>sensations, smells                                                           |
| Techniques that<br>enhance the feeling of safety | • The safe place                                           | • Ask the patient to                                                                                |
|                                                  | (Take a look at the « Safe Place<br>Meditation » resource) | imagine being in a safe<br>place                                                                    |
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## • Being with loved ones

- Throw an object with someone
- Talk to someone



