Outline.

Understand the Key Brain Regions and Chemicals Involved

Prefrontal cortex, limbic system, striatum Neurotransmitters: serotonin, dopamine, norepinephrine, oxytocin, etc. How it all fits together

Apply Key Principles From Proven Cognitive-Behavioral Interventions

Behavioral Activation Therapy (BAT) Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT) Mindfulness-Based Cognitive Therapy (MBCT)

Utilize the Benefits of Exercise

Benefits on serotonin and dopamine systems, as well as stress reductions

Intensity and frequency of exercise required How simply being outdoors can help

Minding the Amygdala: Mindful **Awareness of Emotions**

Labeling feelings to reduce amygdala activity Making the most of ACT to reduce stress

Set Goals, Make Decisions, and Top-**Down Regulation of Brain Activity**

The impact of goal-setting on lower-level processing Choice, decisions and happiness

The importance of intention and voluntary choices Simple strategies for applying BAT

Low-Tech Biofeedback: Using the **Body's Signals to Heal the Brain**

The mind-body connection, meditation and MBCT Understanding heart-rate variability The power of breathing

How postural changes, muscle tension and facial expressions can affect mood

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The distinction between impulses and routines Cognitive and emotional habits

The relationship between habits and stress Cognitive-behavioral approaches to changing habits

Social Solutions

The impact of social support on the brain's stress response

The power of physical touch

Why social interactions are rewarding How social support can improve the efficacy of medication

The Power of Gratitude

The impact of gratitude on key neural circuits How to operationalize gratitude in order to implement it in daily life

Make the Most of Sleep

How sleep affects mood

Key changes in sleep hygiene that improve sleep quality

<u>Objectives</u>

- I. Analyze the key brain regions and neurotransmitters that contribute to depression and anxiety.
- 2. Explore why the future of mood and anxiety disorder treatments relies on a dynamic understanding of the brain.
- 3. Implement changes in sleep hygiene to improve sleep quality.
- 4. Discriminate between planning, worry and anxiety, and understand how they impact the brain.
- 5. Assess how a client's actions, interactions, thoughts and environment are impacting their disorder.
- 6. Determine how mindfulness, meditation and gratitude affect the brain and are used in the treatment of anxiety disorders and depression.
- 7. Establish how the prefrontal cortex can regulate the emotional limbic system and habitual striatum.
- 3. Formulate a treatment plan that takes into account the domains of modulating brain activity and chemistry.

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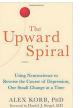
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