

# LifeSolutions

## Resiliency: The art of bouncing back



**For the most part, people are good at balancing work, family, and social responsibilities. But it is not uncommon to experience events that stop you in your tracks. The good news is that there are steps you can take to get back on course.**

### Building blocks for resilience

Resilience is the ability to cope with the unexpected, learn from the experience, and grow as a result.

**Resilient people not only accept change, they expect it.** They understand that life brings challenges and rewards. More importantly, they understand that neither will stay forever. They recognize that, while they cannot control all of their life circumstances, they can control themselves (their thoughts and actions) within those circumstances.

**Research shows that the No. 1 factor in fostering resilience is connection.** Resilient people have a support network. There is at least one person in their life who they can count on for acceptance and support.

**Resilient people notice the little things.** They pay attention to being tired or hungry or needing a break. They actively engage in self-care. Prioritizing mental and physical health enhances their ability to deal with the unexpected. Resilient people also notice needs in others and respond with kindness and compassion.

Resilience takes practice. It requires knowledge of what is important to you and a willingness to work to achieve it. Resilient people don't just bounce back—they bounce forward and become stronger, healthier, and better prepared to tackle challenges.

To be your most resilient self, practice the strategies outlined here, register for “The Resilience Journey” online, or call us to assist you with setting goals and establishing plans of action.

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