

COPING STRATEGIES

It is normal to feel forgetful. Keep a notebook with you to write things down to help you remember.



Drawing can help children express how they feel. Provide paper and pencil/crayons and encourage children to draw what they are feeling.



Connecting with others by going to school, if possible, and seeing friends (online or in person when safe) is helpful



Following any familiar routines can be helpful (story before bedtime, special hugs).



Having a special toy or item from home can be soothing.



Helping others in any small way can improve mental health.



Find a spot to get away or take a break, if possible (under a blanket, in a quiet corner)



Use music to help with transitions or difficult times (sing a familiar song).



Offer sensory input like deep pressure or preferred smells.



Use a timer to let your child know when a transition is ahead (on any mobile device, can also download Time Timer for free).



Draw pictures to let your child know what is coming.



