This Self-Care checklist will help you create a way to take care of yourself each day. Use your answers to these items to create a Self-Care Plan. You should keep your Self-Care Plan and refer to it often to make sure that you are caring for yourself.

**Physical Self-Care** 

- \_\_\_\_ Eat regularly and healthy foods
- \_\_\_\_ Identify and take part in fun physical activities
- \_\_\_\_ Get regular medical care for prevention and illnesses
- \_\_\_\_ Take time off when needed
- \_\_\_\_ Get massages
- \_\_\_\_ Get enough sleep
- \_\_\_\_ Take time to care for your appearance
- \_\_\_\_ Take vacations
- \_\_\_\_ Take day trips or mini-vacations
- \_\_\_\_ Make time away from telephones and social media
- \_\_\_\_ Other:

**Psychological Self-Care** 

- \_\_\_\_ Make time for self-reflection
- \_\_\_\_ Have your own therapist
- \_\_\_\_ Write in a journal
- \_\_\_\_\_ Read literature that is unrelated to work
- \_\_\_\_ Do something at which you are not expert or in charge
- \_\_\_\_ Decrease stress in your life
- \_\_\_\_ Say "no" to extra responsibilities sometimes
- \_\_\_\_ Other:

## **Emotional Self-Care**

- \_\_\_\_Stay in contact with important people in your life
- \_\_\_\_ Give yourself affirmations, praise yourself
- \_\_\_\_ Love yourself
- \_\_\_\_ Identify comforting activities, objects, people, relationships, places and seek them out
- \_\_\_\_ Allow yourself to cry
- \_\_\_\_ Find things that make you laugh
- \_\_\_\_ Other:

## Spiritual Self-Care

- \_\_\_\_ Make time for reflection
- \_\_\_\_ Spend time with nature
- \_\_\_\_ Find a spiritual connection or community
- \_\_\_\_ Identify what in meaningful to you and notice its place in your life
- \_\_\_\_ Meditate
- \_\_\_\_ Pray

\_\_\_\_ Sing

\_\_\_\_ Other:

Workplace or Professional Self-Care

- \_\_\_\_\_ Take a break during the workday (e.g. lunch)
- \_\_\_\_ Make quiet time to complete tasks
- \_\_\_\_ Identify projects or tasks that are exciting and rewarding
- \_\_\_\_ Set limits with others
- \_\_\_\_ Balance your day
- \_\_\_\_\_ Arrange your work space so it is comfortable and comforting
- \_\_\_\_ Other:

Balance

- \_\_\_\_\_ Strive for balance within your work-life and workday
- \_\_\_\_\_ Strive for balance among work, family, relationships, play and rest