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2010 Anger Mgmt Process 19Jul2010

1) Learning/Change Process

- a. Personal programmability
 - i. We are constantly being influenced.
 - ii. If you don't program yourself someone else will.
- b. Gradual, Progression, Repetition
- c. Practice/repetition. Seligman's dog.
 - i. Re-training stroke victims: plasticity.
 - ii. Reconditioning linking new response pattern to anger onset.Begin change by visualizing it
- d. Reminders
- e. Visualization
- f. Commitment. Effort. Attitude of personal responsibility. Problem solving attitude rather than avenging.
- g. Stages of anger mgmt
 - i. Avoidance
 - 1. Avoidance may be a good first step.
 - 2. Timeout before responding.
 - 3. Maybe changing the time that things are discussed will help: from evening to morning?
 - 4. Permanent change in environment may be a valid solution.

ii. Assertiveness

1. Assertiveness method - DESC: describe behavior, express how it makes you feel, specify behavior you expect, consequences (self-care statement/solution: "if this continues I will have to ____ to take care of myself. Self-care is about how you can take care of the situation without the other person's cooperation).