## **Examining Strategies for Stress Relief**

Different behaviors can have a big impact on your health, wellbeing, and stress levels. Below is a list of these kinds of behaviors. Most people use a combination of "unhelpful" and "helpful" strategies from time to time. The most helpful strategies may also depend on the specific situation. Check the boxes that apply to you.

Stress Relief Strategies					
When you are stressed,			When you are stressed,		
do you:	Yes	No	do you:	Yes	No
Smoke / Use Tobacco			Exercise		
Drink a lot of coffee			Get 6-8 hours of sleep		
Use substances, like alcohol			Eat healthy foods		
Spend too much money			Make time to relax		
Watch too much TV			Engage in positive thinking		
Have angry outbursts			Spend time with family		
Withdraw from people			Spend time with friends		
Ignore or deny stress			Breathe deeply		
Other:			Other:		
These are typically unhelpful			These are typically <u>helpful</u>		
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