Stress Continuum

READY	REACTING	INJURED	ILL
(Green)	(Yellow)	(Orange)	(Red)
DEFINITION Optimal functioning Adaptive growth Wellness FEATURES At one's best Well-trained and prepared In control Physically, mentally and spiritually fit Mission-focused Motivated Calm and steady Having fun Behaving ethically	DEFINITION Mild and transient distress or impairment Always goes away Low risk CAUSES Any stressor FEATURES Feeling irritable, anxious or down Loss of motivation Loss of focus Difficulty sleeping Muscle tension or other physical changes Not having fun	DEFINITION • More severe and persistent distress or impairment • Leaves an emotional/mental "scar" • Higher risk CAUSES • Life threat • Loss • Moral injury • Wear and tear FEATURES • Loss of control • Panic, rage or depression • No longer feeling like normal self • Excessive guilt, shame or blame	DEFINITION Clinical mental disorder Unhealed stress injury causing life impairment TYPES PTSD Depression Anxiety Substance abuse FEATURES Symptoms persist and worsen over time Severe distress or social or occupational impairment Hopelessness