AN EASIER WAY TO PROMOTE CHANGE

Not Ready To Change

FOCUS ON CONVICTION

Ask

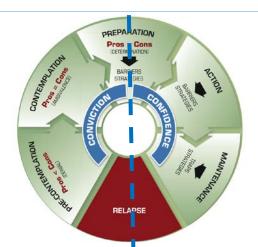
- 1. How do you feel about ...
- 2. On a scale of 0 to 10, how important is...
- 3. If you decided to ... how might that benefit you?

Assess

- 1. Low: Doesn't know textbook health benefits & sees no personal benefits to changing. Choose an action below.
- 2. Medium: Knows textbook benefits, but no personal reason for those to matter. Knowledge alone isn't enough. Choose an action below.
- 3. High: Verbalizes important personal benefits to change. This patient is ready to change. Move on to confidence, see right.

Act

- 1. Ask if you can provide information
 - Would you like more information on ...(behavior)? I want to be sure you have all the information you need to make an informed decision. I'll respect your answer.
- 2. Find personal benefits & link behavior
 - Would you like more information on how ... (behavior) could help with ... (item that's important to them or bothering them)?
- 3. Elicit change talk -- What made you say 5 instead of 1?
- 4. Explore with more open-ended questions, reflective listening, empathy, build trust (more trust = ↑ desire to act)
- 5. Query a "thinking about benefits" goal



Ready To Change

FOCUS ON CONFIDENCE if high conviction

Ask

- 1. How confident are you that you could ... (insert behavior)
- 2. On a scale of 1 to 10, how confident would you be to ...

Assess

- 1. Low: 0 to 6. Choose an action below or a "planning" goal.
- 2. High: 7 to 10. Consider a "doing" goal.

Act

- 1. Identify barriers
 - What would get in the way of you(behavior)
- 2. Problem-solve barriers
 - What do you think would work to help with that barrier?
- 3. Focus on prior success
 - What worked in the past?
- 4. Add social supports
 - How would you feel about getting support from a friend or family member? What would that support look like?
- 5. Query a "planning" or "doing" goal