The Roof of Protection - Review journal

Review an attempt at the roof of protection and choose what to keep, change, or leave aside.

Adults; supported use as appropriate | 10 minutes

Fictional example: Riley needs a workplace accommodation as well as a coping plan.

Use an ordinary or fictional example, with a clinician when appropriate. Protection can include services and environmental changes, not only coping skills.

Practice task

Identify supports that reduce exposure to stress or harm and note what requires professional or community help.

1. What I tried, or what happened in the fictional example:

2. What I noticed before, during, and after; what remains uncertain:

3. What helped, did not help, or was outside my control:

4. Which protective change belongs outside the individual? My optional adjustment or support request:

Scope and adaptation

An original DBT-informed house metaphor for educational reflection, not an official standardized DBT assessment, diagnostic drawing test, or comprehensive DBT. The maker defines meanings. Offer another metaphor if housing is sensitive, and allow omissions or fiction. Do not interpret rooms, colors, or omissions as evidence of pathology or safety.

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