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NHS Financial Wellbeing & the Menopause

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- It is vitally important that you contact NHS Pensions before making any decisions about retirement or continuing work. They can explain in detail your options and restrictions. This is especially true for Special Classes and Mental Health Officers in the 1995 Section.
- It is also important that you contact the Department of Work and Pensions (DWP) for details of your State Pension and benefits.
- Before any action is taken, professional advice on financial matters, taxation and the law should be sought from a Financial Planner and an Estate Planner or Solicitor.
- We appreciate that every one's financial position is unique. Within this discussion we use "Stereotypical scenarios". This is only to illustrate the point being made and should not be observed as a form of non-inclusion.
- During this presentation we will use the term 'mental health problems' this is to encompass conditions ranging from depression, anxiety to schizophrenia. The term 'mental health problems' is commonly understood to include all forms of mental distress. We fully understand that some would prefer another term, this is to help with inclusivity.

Financial Education V Financial Wellbeing Working in Harmony



The Money & Pensions service define Financial Wellbeing Financial Wellbeing is about feeling secure & in control. It is knowing that you can pay the bills today, can deal with the unexpected, and are on track for a healthy financial future. In Short: confident & empowered.

Education

- Information
- Tools
- Knowledge

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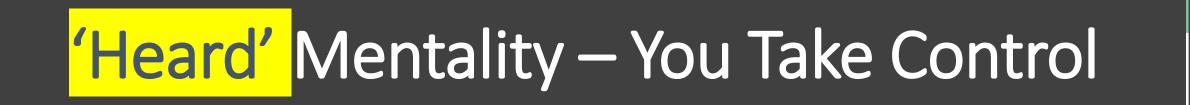
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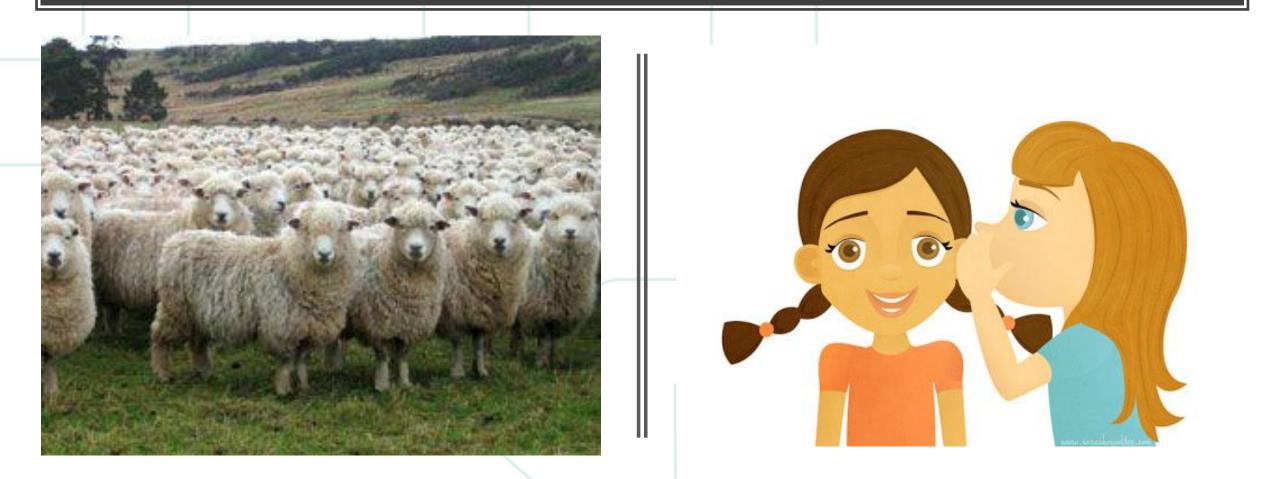
• Help understand & grasp your finances

Wellbeing

- Behaviour
- Habit
- Positive
- How does it make you feel







Understanding Your Relationship with Money & Finance

Understanding our relationship with money is essential



Like any relationship, if we have had the following Experiences

Bad, Ok Good Excellent Volatile

Our way we handle a relationship will alter and can continue to alter within our lifetime.

Is it us? is it our approach? Is it our attitude? Is it our physical and emotional desires that get in the way?

The concept of money is very simple, Why so complicated

Life Events:

Circumstances

That can impact us all financially

Divorce Redundancy Marriage Children Menopause Illness Bereavement Promotion – De-motion **Retirement Planning** Education Transport Gambling Substance Abuse Saving/investing Property Fraud Wrong Advice Tried to do it yourself...DIY



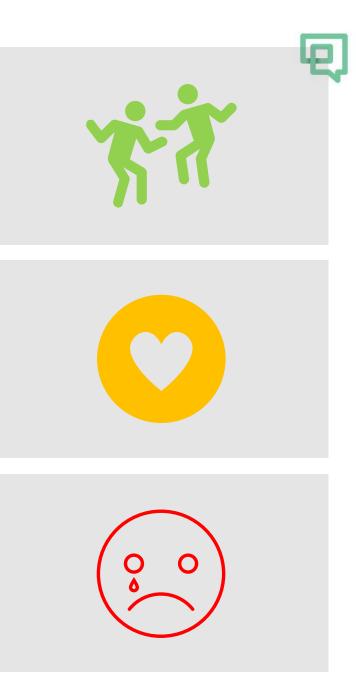




Emotions

Are these feelings we get while there is money or no money in our bank account

Anger Happiness Joy Sad Anxiety Depression Just don't get it... Elated Relief How did we get through that Month?



Behavioural Finance & Vulnerability

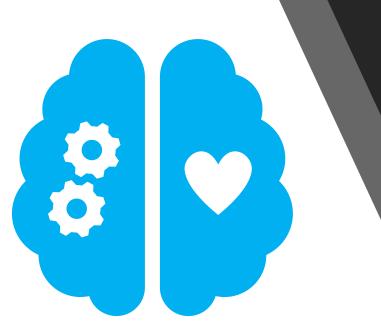
Behavioural Finance

It's all encompassing

It is the understanding of the phycology & the influence of investors or financial analysts. It tries to identify why decisions being made may not always be rational & can be influenced by own biases, environment & can have limits on their self control.

Good Financial Behaviours: Establishing measurable & Achievable financial goals. Tailored actions to make them work. Understand your own budget by regularly completing a budget planner. An emergency fund circa 3 months net pay. Maintain property and personal insurance. Maximise on all staff benefits and employers pensions.

Financial Vulnerability



Vulnerable consumers may be significantly less able to represent their own interests, they may have different needs and may have more behavioural biases that negatively impact their decision making.

Vulnerability can come in a range of guises, and can be temporary, sporadic or permanent in nature. It is a fluid state that needs a flexible, tailored response

Many people in vulnerable situations would not diagnose themselves as 'vulnerable'. The clear message from the research carried out is that we can all become vulnerable

Drivers of vulnerability - 4 key drivers which may increase the risk of vulnerability.

- 1. Health Disabilities or illnesses that affect the ability to carry out daily tasks
- 2. Life events Life events such as bereavement, job loss or relationship breakdown
- 3. Resilience low ability to withstand financial or emotional shocks
- 4. Capability low knowledge of financial matters or low confidence in managing money & low capability in other relevant areas such as literacy, or digital skills



Behavioural Characteristics

- Treated 'normal' not 'rational'
- Influenced by own biases
- Limits to self control
- Confidence outweighs ability We mistakenly think we know more than we know
- Emotion We make decisions based on our current emotional state
- The Social influences impact or drive our thinking & perspectives.
- Story/media reading Articles, Headlines, blogs, fake news etc...
- One way Conformation Will only interact with views confirming there own
- Loss aversion Focus on avoiding loss rather focusing on gains
- Herd/Heard Mentality Will follow the crowd and listen, emotion & instinct rather than look at independent analysis.

Money & Brain Fog

What is Brain fog?

Brain fog is a type of cognitive dysfunction characterised by an inability to focus or concentrate, poor memory and lack of clarity. The severity and nature of brain fog varies from person to person but many report symptoms of insomnia, anxiety, fatigue, irritability and depression

Source Ancestral health

There are a number of causes

- Lack of Sleep
- Diet
- Hormonal changes
- Medical
- Life events
- Stress/anxiety/Depression





Our Financial Behaviour

Our Financial behavior has an impact on our

Personal & Working Relationships

Physical & Mental Health..

• This is more relevant than what we realise and something that we should familiarise ourselves with and begin to embrace..

Is this YOU?

• BRILLANT. You are already on the first step to Taking control





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Being Human Anxiety Growth Denial Emotion Energy Realisation Fear Acceptance This is It will all Can I working go away cope with and has ifljust I am feeling change? helped ignore it lam a strong me to... motivated reaction to and doing this How will it what I need affect me I can see to do and mine? I have what I come need to to tormac

NHS: Flexible Retirement Planning options

https://www.nhsemployers.org/pay-pensions-and-reward/pensions/pension-scheme-flexibilities/tools-and-resources

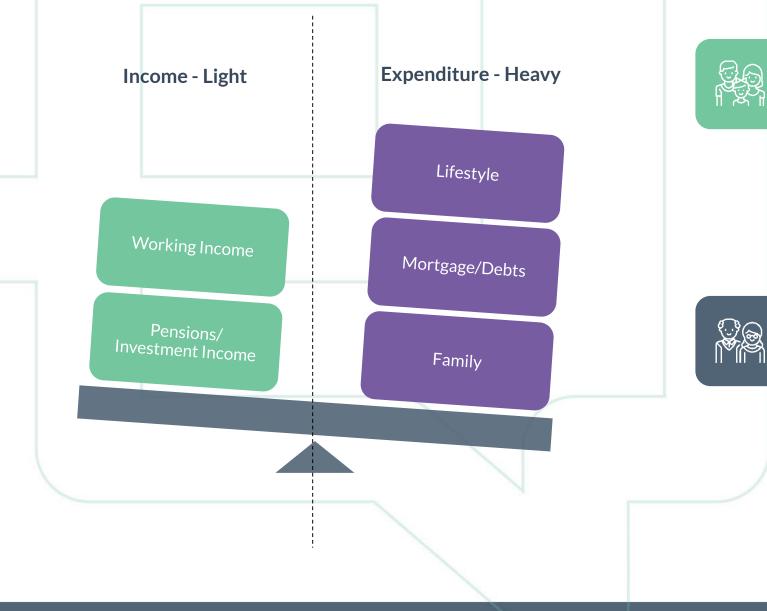


Retire & Return

The Pro's & Con's?

CORNER STONE OF FINANCIAL PLANNING





Core Expenditure

- Mortgage
- Unsecured Debt ٠
- Food •
- Utilities •
- Commuting Costs

Discretionary Spend/ **Retirement Lifestyle**

- Gym / Subscriptions
- Media
- Technology
- Childrens Clubs •
- Holidays
- Meals out •
- Entertainment



Pro's

&

Cons

Don't let the tax tail wag the dog

- Permanent Position
- Death In Service
- Remain in the NHS Pension schemes
- 6 Months full pay 6 Months Half Pay
- Regular working income
- Keep financial control
- Access to the Tax-Free Lump Sum
- Working Less Hours

- Is the Pension income sustainable
- Is there a job to return to
- Is it a permanent position
- Are your returning to work because your pension income is not sustainable?
- Are you retiring for the Tax Free lump sum?
- Sick pay benefit term is reduced
- Potentially no death in Service
- May loose your career control



Winding Down

What is it?

Winding Down



Example:

- Janet is in the 1995 Scheme pension & works 37.5 hours p/w (5-day week)
- Janet's Full-time equivalent pay is £40,000 p.a
- The 1995 scheme is based on the best pensionable pay (Full Time Equivalent) in last 3 years to retirement day.
- Janet elects to wind down and work Part-time by 50% & work (2.5 days week)
- Janet is now working part-time and earning £20,000 p.a
- Common Believe is that your pension will be based on the £20,000 (Part time salary).
- This is false and is calculated on your full Time equivalent pay which in this scenario is £40,000 p.a
- However Janet has not worked a full year which would be a 37.5 hr p/w equivalent
- She has worked 50% of this, therefore she has only done a 6-month period (Reckonable Membership) of work rather 12 months.
- Hence in many cases when you read your TRS that your **Calendar Length Membership years** is higher than your **RECKONABLE Membership** (Years, months & Day's)



Taking Control

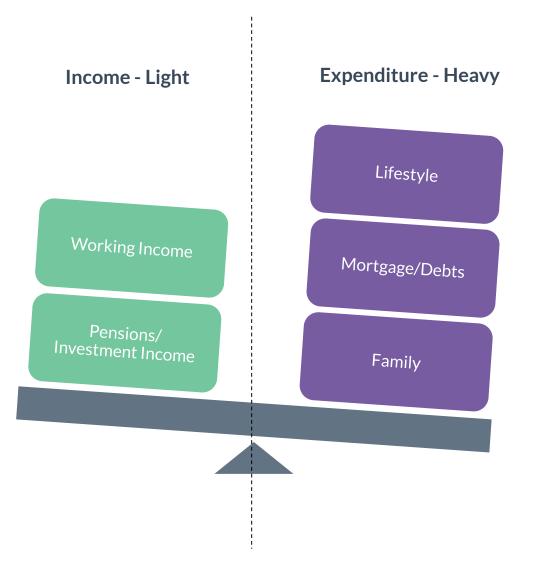


Money & Mental Health cycle

https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support/tips-for-everyday-living/money-and-mental-health/money-and-mental-health/



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Requesting YOUR NHS Pension Forecast • You can get a forecast of your pension from your local pension department or from NHS Pensions in Fleetwood.

• Your first option should be to log onto the Total Rewards Statement – TRS, which nearly everyone has access to.

- The web site is **www.totalrewardstatements.nhs.uk**
- You do this via your Government Gateway ID or the NHS ESR site.
- TRS is a personal summary that shows your full employment package including basic pay, Allowances & pension benefits.
- Some NHS direction bodies & smaller NHS groups such as GP surgeries do not use TRS. Instead Annual Benefits statement will give an overview of pension benefits, published 31st March p.a

FRAUD, SCAMS AND PHISHING

Community workers, Community nurses, Domiciliary Care workers, & social care workers, individuals who have family or friends isolating alone <u>https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/asset-library/Scams-the-power-of-persuasive-language.pdf</u>

Take Five website at: <u>https://takefive-stopfraud.org.uk</u>.

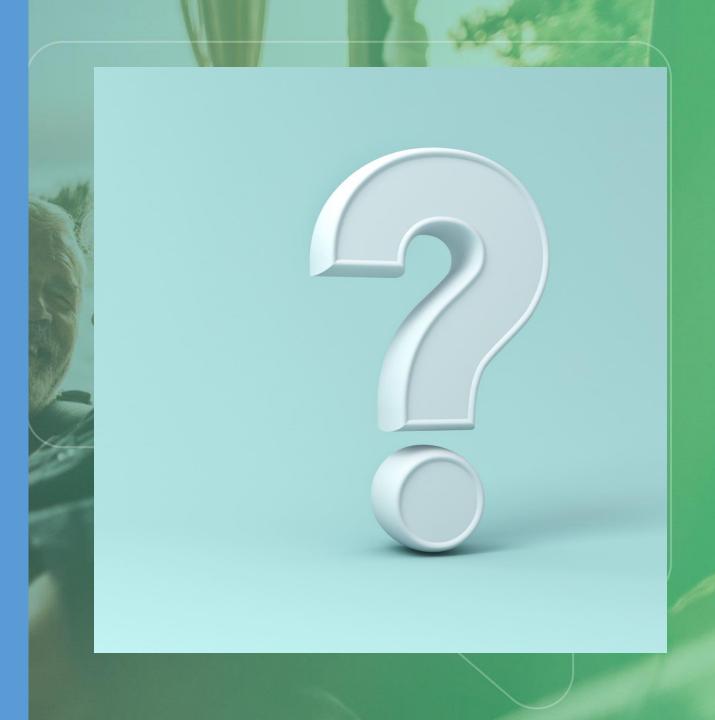
- 1. Never Disclose Security Details
- 2. Don't Assume an email or phone call is authentic
- 3. Don't be rushed or pressured
- 4. Listen to your instincts
- 5. Stay in Control

All Financial Advisers MUST be registered with the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) Solicitors, Estate Planners & Will Writers should be registered with a body (Law Society, SOWW, IPWW, STEP).

Reports have doubled since March 2020

Action Fraud online or by calling 0300 1232 2040.

Should you Take Independent Advice



INFORMATION OR ADVICE



Do not confuse receiving Information with Advice.

If you are given "information" about a product and then "chose" the product or not, you may have received 'guidance' rather than 'advice'. It will also mean that **YOU** are responsible to making sure that the product is suitable for you.



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Investing this way **might** reduce the cost involved but means you may not have access to the Financial Ombudsman or the **Financial Services** Compensation Scheme if things go wrong.



It is nearly always better to seek **Financial Advice from** a Regulated & **Qualified Financial** Planner.





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Your Financial Action Plan

Be Honest about your relationship with money

Complete a Budget Planner – Income & Expenditure

Preparation.. Total Rewards, State Pension Forecast

Share your thoughts

Don't follow the Herd

Be Fraud aware

Ask for assistance or Advice

Take Financial Control

Thankyou info@eulogie.co.uk