



12 Ways to Help Reduce Stress During the Holidays for Someone With a Mental Illness

- 1. Lower Your Stress**
- 2. Predictability is Key**
- 3. Let Participation Be Optional**
- 4. Share True Feelings**
- 5. Offer Help**
- 6. Be Consistent**
- 7. Create A Safe Place**
- 8. Be Present in the Moment**
- 9. Strive to Be Effective, Not Right**
- 10. Validate**
- 11. Lower Expectations**
- 12. Rethink Serving Alcohol**