# **CHANGE IS HARD!**

Human beings crave consistency. They may fear – consciously or unconsciously – they won't be able to adapt to new circumstances.

Your clientele are no different!

#### **Update Expectations**

Disappointment occurs when an experience doesn't match our expectations. Before altering program methods, timing, or approaches, let clients know what they can expect.

#### **Offer Options**

Feeling 'stuck' with a single option can lead to frustration and unhappiness. Identify at least two options and let supported individuals choose the path they prefer.

### **Look for Signs**

Notice when you see increased signs of anxiety, social isolation, or feeling overwhelmed by change. Encourage clients to take one step at a time to get through the period of change.

## **Make Communication Easy**

Provide an accessible hotline where supported individuals and their families or caregivers can report concerns, frustrations, or special challenges.





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