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Figure 2. Cognitive model incorporating experience and beliefs

Experience

Beliefs (about self, world, future, relationships)

Unconditional (core) beliefs
- e.g. “I am inferior to others”
- “people cant be trusted”

Conditional beliefs
- e.g. “If someone criticises me, they don’t like me”
- “I must do things 100% or I have failed”

Coping strategies
- e.g. perfectionism, trying to please

Critical Incidents
- e.g. break up relationship
- losing job

Emotional reaction

Behaviour

Thoughts

Feelings

Physiology
Figure 1. Five systems cognitive model

- FEELINGS ↔ THOUGHTS
- BEHAVIOUR ↔ PHYSIOLOGY

Impact of life circumstances, stresses and external environment