

# SingFit | COGNITIVE DECLINE PROTOCOL

## Start The Session

- 1. Introduce the Session
- 2. Explain Tablet and Lyric Coach
- 3. Choose the Appropriate Playlist
  - a. Session 1: Age-Based Playlist
  - b. Session 2+: Personalized Playlist

## **RePEAAT Protocol**

- 1. Read song titles slowly
- 2. Play the song the client chooses
- **3. Engage** with the music
  - a. Sing along softly or mouth the words
- 4. Affirm the client, song, experience, etc.
- 5. Add
  - a. Ask if song is a favorite
  - b. If so, add song to personalized playlist
- 6. Talk
  - a. Facilitate Conversation
    - i Close &. Open Ended Questions re: client feelings with song, content of song, artist of song, etc
    - ii. Reflective Listening
- 7. Repeat the RePEAAT Protocol by transitioning back to the list & reading next song title

## **Therapeutic Strategies**

- 1. Follow the Client's Lead
  - a. Defer to the choices of the client
  - b. Be Aware of & Integrate Non-Verbal Cues
  - c. Handle the Curve with the VCR Method: Validate, Check-In, Redirect

#### 2. Create a Supportive Environment

- a. Strategically Select and Set Up the Room
  - i. Clear table with speakers in the middle
  - ii. Perpendicular, straight-backed chairs faced away from windows or doors
- b. Stay Present
  - i. Technology Setup
    - 1. Download Age-Based Playlists (and/or other SingFit Pre-Made playlists)
    - 2. Set Up Personalized Playlist with Client's Name (i.e. Ella's Favorites)
  - ii. Body Language

#### 3. Foster a Positive Association with the Session

- a. Avoid Using Negative Phrases (Avoid "remember" Instead Try "Are you familiar with?")
- b. Provide a Positive Sound Experience
  - i. Do a sound check
- c. End the Session on a Positive Note





## SingFit | COGNITIVE DECLINE PROTOCOL STUDIO | RECOMMENDED LANGUAGE

## Start The Session

- 1. Introduce the Session
  - a. "I've brought some music I'd like to share with you."
- 2. Explain Tablet and Lyric Coach
  - a. Tablet: "This is a powerful little computer with lots of great music on it."
  - b. Lyric Coach: "The music in this tablet is different from any music that you've ever heard before because it tells you the words to the songs right before they are sung."



## **End The Session**

- 1. Check In
  - "Should we check out one more before we take a break?" a. "Are you up for one more?" "How are you feeling?" "Do you want to keep going or would you like to end here?"

