My Pain Self Management Plan

It is helpful to have a plan for how to manage your pain. This will also help you get back on track as quickly as possible when facing difficult times.

Name:

Date last reviewed:

Medication management	
(Dose, frequency, additional comments)	
Household activities and paid work	
(How can I get the main tasks done over the course of a	
week e.g,. pacing with extra breaks, prioritising tasks,	
alternating between tasks with different demands)	
Exercise	
(What is something that I can do each day to be active	
e.g,. walking, stretches, swimming)	
Mood/Emotion	
(How can I take care of myself and my emotions e.g,	
time out for a bath, read a book, spend time with	
people, relaxation)	

<u>Family / Relationships</u> (Who can I turn to for support, how can I help my family understand my plan?)	
Recreational (What can I regularly do for fun or to gain a sense of achievement?)	
Daily Routine (To achieve the goals above what does my daily routine need to look like? Be sure to include day-time activities and night-time sleep routines? What are your daily and weekly goals?) Refer to 'my weekly planner' / diary / calendar	
Setback Plan (Types of setbacks e.g. a pain flare-up or increased stress) What are my set-back warning signs? (e.g., increasing pain, diminished mood, poor sleep, isolating self)	How will I maintain my self-management during this setback?