## CBT vs DBT

## COMPARING THERAPEUTIC INTERVENTIONS



## **DEFINITIONS**

**CBT** 

Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) is based on the idea that our thoughts and behaviors influence our feelings. So, changing the way we think about and react to situations will help us feel better.

**BEHAVIOR** 

CBT

VS

DBT

Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) is a more specific form of CBT that relies on using mindfulness skills to regulate emotions, tolerate distress, and improve relationships.

Mindfullness

Emotional Regulation

Distress Tolerance Interpersonal effectiveness

**TIME FRAME** 

**CBT** 

SHORT TERM



THOUGHTS

DB

**LONG TERM** 



**SUMMARY** 

**CBT** 

CBT seeks to give individuals the ability to recognize when their thoughts might not be leading them towards their emotional and behavioral goals, and offers various techniques to alter perceptions for the better.

VS

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DBT

DBT helps individuals learn to live with discomfort in the world and accept the way things are rather than reacting to discomfort in unhelpful ways.