Internal Triggers of Substance Abuse CBT Worksheet

Patient Information	
Name:	Date:
Date of Birth:	
Therapist/Provider Information	
Name:	
Credentials:	
Contact Information:	
Worksheet Purpose: This worksheet aims to help the patient identify and address internal triggers associated with substance abuse, providing a foundation for personalized treatment and recovery planning.	
Instructions	
Identification of Triggers	

- 1. Ask the patient to list internal triggers such as emotions, thoughts, or situations that lead to substance use.
- 2. Encourage the patient to be specific and provide examples.

Trigger Analysis

- 1. For each identified trigger, prompt the patient to delve deeper:
 - Why does this trigger have such an impact?
 - How does it relate to their substance use?

Coping Strategies Development

- 1. Guide the patient in brainstorming healthy coping strategies for each trigger.
- 2. Emphasize the importance of practical and achievable strategies.

Action Plan Creation

- 1. Work with the patient to develop an action plan based on the triggers and coping strategies.
- 2. The plan should outline what the patient will do when faced with each trigger to avoid substance use.

Regular Review and Adjustment

- 1. Stress the need for regular review and adjustment of the worksheet as progress is made.
- 2. Encourage the patient to revisit and revise triggers and strategies as necessary.

Notes and Recommendations

- Document any additional insights, observations, or recommendations during the session.
- Consider sharing a copy of the completed worksheet with the patient for their reference and continued self-reflection.