## SAD (Seasonal A ective Disorder)

- Seasonal a ective disorder (SAD) is a type of depression that has a seasonal pa ern. It is sometimes called the "winter blues".
- SAD is a common occurrence for those of us who live in the northern hemisphere
- The symptoms o en begin in the autumn as the days start ge ing shorter. They're most severe during the winter months.
- The two main symptoms of the winter blues are a low mood and a lack of interest in life. You may also be less active than normal and sleep more.
- In most cases, symptoms begin to improve in the spring before eventually disappearing.

