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Web-based Resources

Adoptive and Foster Family Coalition of New York: Offers support and assistance for parents and professionals through AGAPE, a post-adoption and post-guardianship support program, Foster and Kinship Care Support program and a free 24/7 HelpLine. http://www.affcny.org.

National Child Traumatic Stress Network: federally funded network of independent grantees serving as a resource on child traumatic stress. http://www.nctsn.org. Contains a listing off empirically supported treatments and promising practices: http://www.nctsn.org/resources/topics/treatments-that-work/promising-practices

Center for the Developing Child, Harvard University: a multidisciplinary team committed to science-based innovation in policy and practice with a focus on the effects of trauma on child development and child resiliency. https://developingchild.harvard.edu/

Karyn Purvis Institute on Child Development, Texas Christian University: research and training institute to improve the lives of children who have experienced abuse, neglect and/or trauma. http://www.child.tcu.edu.

Child Welfare Information Gateway: A service of the Children's Bureau, Admin. for Children and Families, U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services that promotes the safety, permanency and well-being of children, youth and families. https://www.childwelfare.gov.

Child Trauma Academy: A not-for-profit organization working to improve the lives of high-risk children by applying brain development to how we nurture, educate and heal children. http://childtrauma.org/

Coordinated Care Services, Inc.: a non-profit organization dedicated to inspiring innovation in practice by providing essential business services in partnership with organization that improve lives and strengthen communities https://www.ccsi.org/. Provides training regarding trauma-responsive schools https://www.ccsi.org/Technical-Assistance/Training-Practice-Transformation/Trauma-Informed-Care

Changing Minds: Futures without Violence has partnered with the U.S. Department of Justice and the Ad Council to create *Changing Minds,* a national campaign to raise awareness, teach skills and inspire public action to address the epidemic of children's exposure to violence and childhood trauma. https://www.futureswithoutviolence.org/changing-minds-the-campaign-to-end-childhood-trauma/

Adverse Childhood Experience (ACE) Questionnaire

Finding your ACE Score ra hbr 10 24 06

While you were growing up, during your first 18 years of life:

1. Did a parent or other adult in the household **often** …
   Swear at you, insult you, put you down, or humiliate you?
   or
   Act in a way that made you afraid that you might be physically hurt?
   Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

2. Did a parent or other adult in the household **often** …
   Push, grab, slap, or throw something at you?
   or
   Ever hit you so hard that you had marks or were injured?
   Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

3. Did an adult or person at least 5 years older than you **ever**…
   Touch or fondle you or have you touch their body in a sexual way?
   or
   Try to or actually have oral, anal, or vaginal sex with you?
   Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

4. Did you **often** feel that …
   No one in your family loved you or thought you were important or special?
   or
   Your family didn't look out for each other, feel close to each other, or support each other?
   Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

5. Did you **often** feel that …
   You didn't have enough to eat, had to wear dirty clothes, and had no one to protect you?
   or
   Your parents were too drunk or high to take care of you or take you to the doctor if you needed it?
   Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

6. Were your parents **ever** separated or divorced?
   Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

7. Was your mother or stepmother:
   Often pushed, grabbed, slapped, or had something thrown at her?
   or
   Sometimes or often kicked, bitten, hit with a fist, or hit with something hard?
   or
   Ever repeatedly hit over at least a few minutes or threatened with a gun or knife?
   Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

8. Did you live with anyone who was a problem drinker or alcoholic or who used street drugs?
   Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

9. Was a household member depressed or mentally ill or did a household member attempt suicide?
   Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

10. Did a household member go to prison?
    Yes No If yes enter 1 _____

Now add up your "Yes" answers: _____ This is your ACE Score

Supporting the Needs of Kids from Adverse Histories

Developmental Analysis of My Child: _____ (initials)

Developmental Areas							CHILD'S CHRONOLOGICAL AGE						
Motor													
Cognitive													
Language													
Social/Emotional													
Adaptive													
Attachment													
Months	-12 months	-10 months	-8 months	-6 months	-4 months	-2 months		+2 months	+4 months	+6 months	+8 months	+10 months	+12 months

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