





THE INTERSECTIONALITY OF CHILDHOOD TRAUMA

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ACEs impact every child, family and community differently.

At the intersection of race/ethnicity, gender, age, and Socioeconomic Status (SES) there are a variety of factors that impact a child's ACEs score and the different levels of grief and accumulated challenges and or barriers that they experience.

This workshop will look at child abuse prevention from a Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Belonging, & Justice (DEIBJ) lens and approach.

The framework of the discussion will focus on collective individual, family and community responsibility from an accountability-lens and solution-focused approach.

ABUSE

NEGLECT

HOUSEHOLD DYSFUNCTION



Physical:

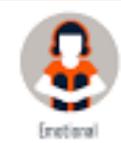


Emotional





Physical .





Mental Diness



Mother trauted violently



Substance Abuse

Incarcerated Relative



Divarce

ACES SCORES RISK FACTORS

- ABUSE
 - Physical
 - Emotional
 - Sexual
- NEGLECT
 - Physical
 - Emotional
- HOUSEHOLD DYSFUNCTION
 - Mental Illness
 - Divorce
 - Incarcerated Relative
 - Substance Abuse



BEHAVIOR



Lack of physical activity



Smoking



Alcoholism



Drug use



Missed work

PHYSICAL & MENTAL HEALTH



Severe obesity



Diabetes



Depression



Suicide attempts



STDs



Heart disease



Cancer



Stroke



COPD



Broken bones

OUTCOMES TRANSITION FROM CHILDHOOD, ADOLESCENCE TO ADULTHOOD

- BEHAVIOR
 - Lack of physical activity
 - Smoking
 - Alcoholism
 - Drug use
 - Missed work
- PHYSICAL & MENTAL HEALTH
 - Severe obesity
 - Diabetes
 - Depression
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CULTURALLY GROUNDED SOCIAL WORK

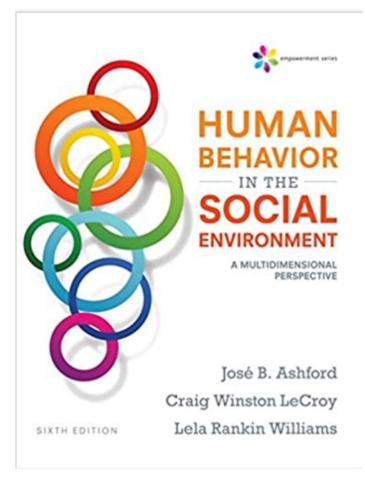
SECOND EDITION

Diversity, OPPRESSION CHANGE

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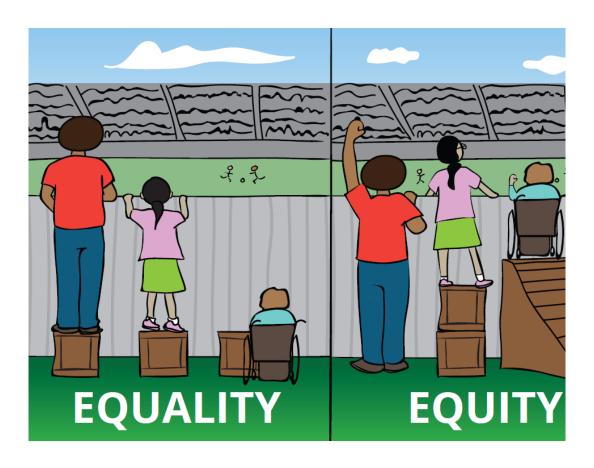
INTERSECTIONALITY THEORY

- In a social work context at the intersection of race/ethnicity, cultural and religious background, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, and SES each child, family and community is unique and experiences ACEs differently.
- While navigating systems and institutions of racism and oppression that creates unfair structural conditions and accumulated challenges and barriers for BIPOC and LGBTQIA+, children, families and communities it is critical to practice:
 - Cultural-competency
 - Cultural-sensitivity
 - Cultural humility
- To avoid re-traumatizing clients who identify in these areas.



PERSON-IN ENVIRONMENT THEORY

- Environmental factors influences a person's decision-making, actions and behaviors and subsequent lifepath and life-trajectory.
- Assessing and Evaluating from a "Trauma-Informed Care" lens is critical to meet children, families and communities where they are at in the prevention, intervention, grief, loss and healing stages.



SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

- Access to Social Determinants of Health are Qualityof-life Indicators & Predictors of Health Outcomes:
- Generational cycles of poverty =
 - Unfair Structural conditions =
 - Accumulated Challenges & Barriers =
 - Access to Economic opportunity =
 - Higher income =
 - Upward mobility =
 - Affordable healthcare
 - Equitable education
 - Safe neighborhoods
 - Nutritious food



TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE

As social work and behavioral health practitioners it is essential to assess and evaluate ACEs from a traumainformed care lens to avoid retraumatizing children, families and communities who have been affected by adverse childhood experiences in various ways.

Consider using the following approaches:

- Meet Me Where I Am (MMWIA)
- Positive Behavior Intervention Strategies & Supports (PBIS)
- Restorative Justice
- Resiliency as a Protective Factor
- Culture as a strength and not a deficit





Q&A — LINK TO RESOURCE DOCUMENT

Click the link to learn more on HOW to facilitate conversations on DEIBJ in relation to ACES & the Intersectionality of Childhood Trauma in Agency Settings.

To prevent:

- Divisiveness
- > Compassion fatigue
- > Burnout





✓ Social Roots, LLC

✓ "Evidenced-based practices" that are "culturallyrelevant" to the needs of Black/African American & Native/Indigenous children, families and communities

✓ <u>Social Roots Foundation</u>

- ✓ Provides Educational Resources to Eliminate the Stigma and Shame associated with navigating health, mental health and counseling services in BIPOC communities.
- ✓ Impact Action Network Advocacy Consulting
 Agency
- ✓ "Educate to Liberate."
- ✓ Provides Educational DEIBJ resources to make "Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Belonging, & Justice a systemic and institutional priority and not a checkbox."