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Presents

*Trauma Informed Care: Ethical
Considerations*

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Trauma

We are a nation of trauma survivors

- *Slavery*
- *Indentured servitude*
- *Native Americans*
- *Latino/Hispanics*
- *Immigrants*
- *Refugees*
- *Wars*

Lessons from History:

The Alcoholic Republic

"Americans drank more alcohol per capita, the first 40 years after the signing of The Declaration of Independence than anytime in our nations history."

Rationale

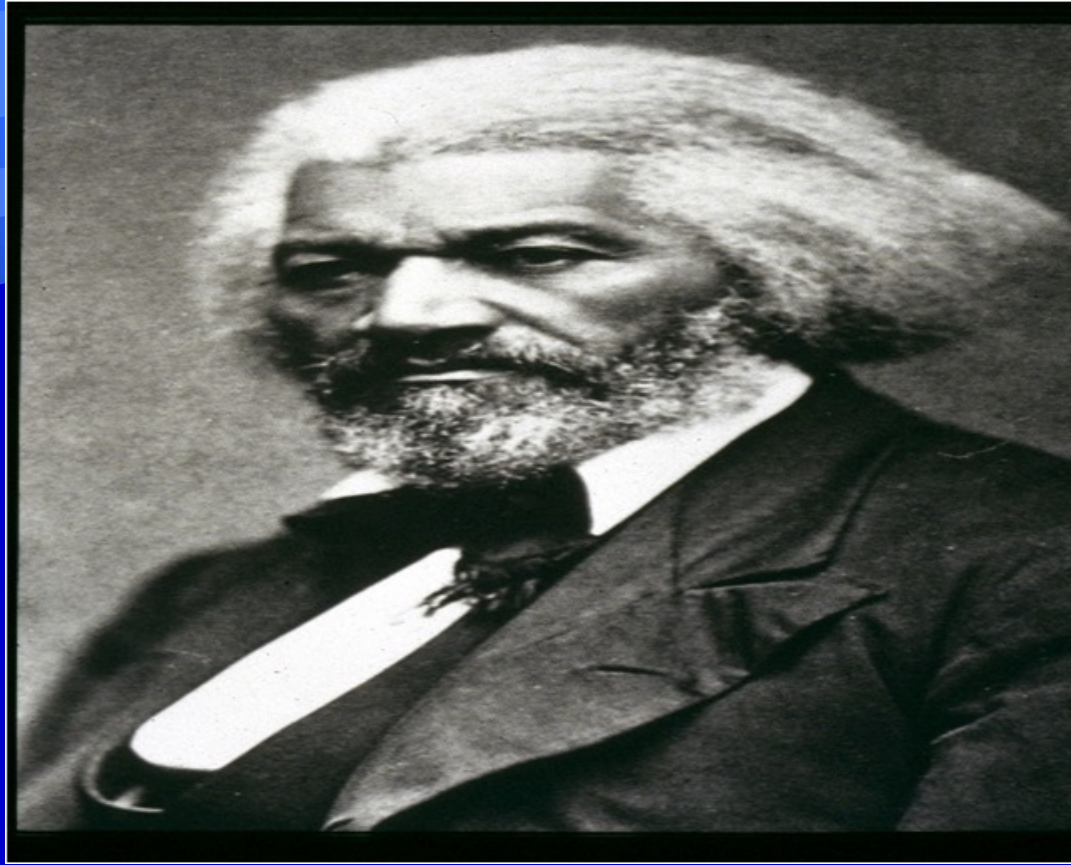
- *The British had all the tea*
- *Water was impure*
- *Milk spoiled easily*







Martha Washington
Leader of the Temperance Movement



"We can't stagger to freedom."

Frederick Douglass

Leader of the Black Temperance Movement

The Bill of Rights

The first 10 Amendments of the Constitution reflects all the things a trauma survivor would need to feel safe.

Amendment 1

Freedom of Speech

Amendment 2

The Right to Bear Arms

The Bill of Rights Continued

Amendment 3

You don't have to let soldiers live in your house.

Amendment 4

Nobody can search your body or your house unless they can prove to a judge there is a good reason to do so.



George Washington



Civil War

During the Civil War soldiers were given a pint of alcohol per day to deal with the trauma of war.



September 11 Memorial

The National Residue of Our Historical Trauma

- *More guns than people*
- *The highest homicide rate in the world*
- *The highest imprisonment rate in the world*
- *Leads the world in cigarette smoking*
- *Leads the world in illicit drug*

Trauma Continued

Because we have never recovered from our historical trauma we have a high tolerance for trauma without taking action. This includes the lack of protection of children.

Columbine High School



Sherman School Shooting



Parkland School Shooting



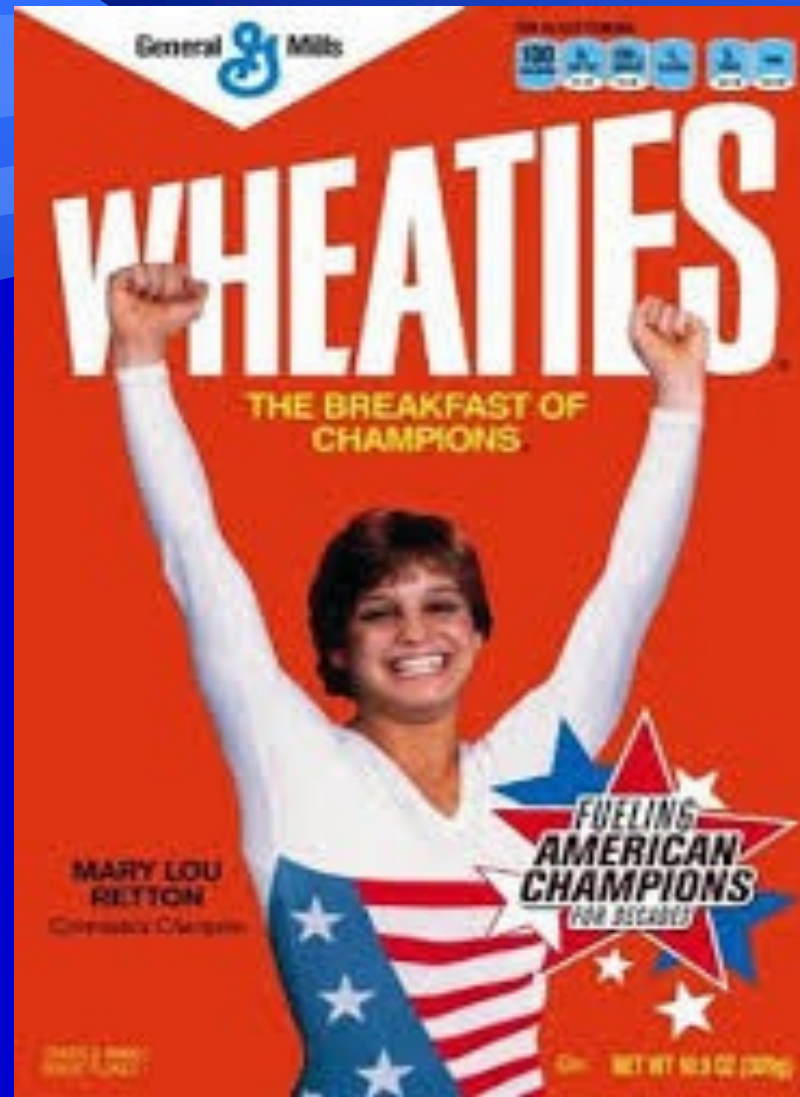
Sandy Hook Elementary School











Mary Lou Retton

You cannot have a trauma recovery movement in America without advocacy.

Judith Herman

Every Helping Professional Has an Ethical Responsibility Advocate for Trauma Informed Care

A brief history

- *Freud*
- *World War I*
- *World War II*
- *Vietnam War*
- *Modern Addictions Treatment*
 - *Heavy confrontation*
 - *Poor boundaries*
 - *Treating chronic illnesses as acute*
 - *Discharge for confirming the diagnosis*
 - *Not treating trauma*

Ethical Responsibility Continued

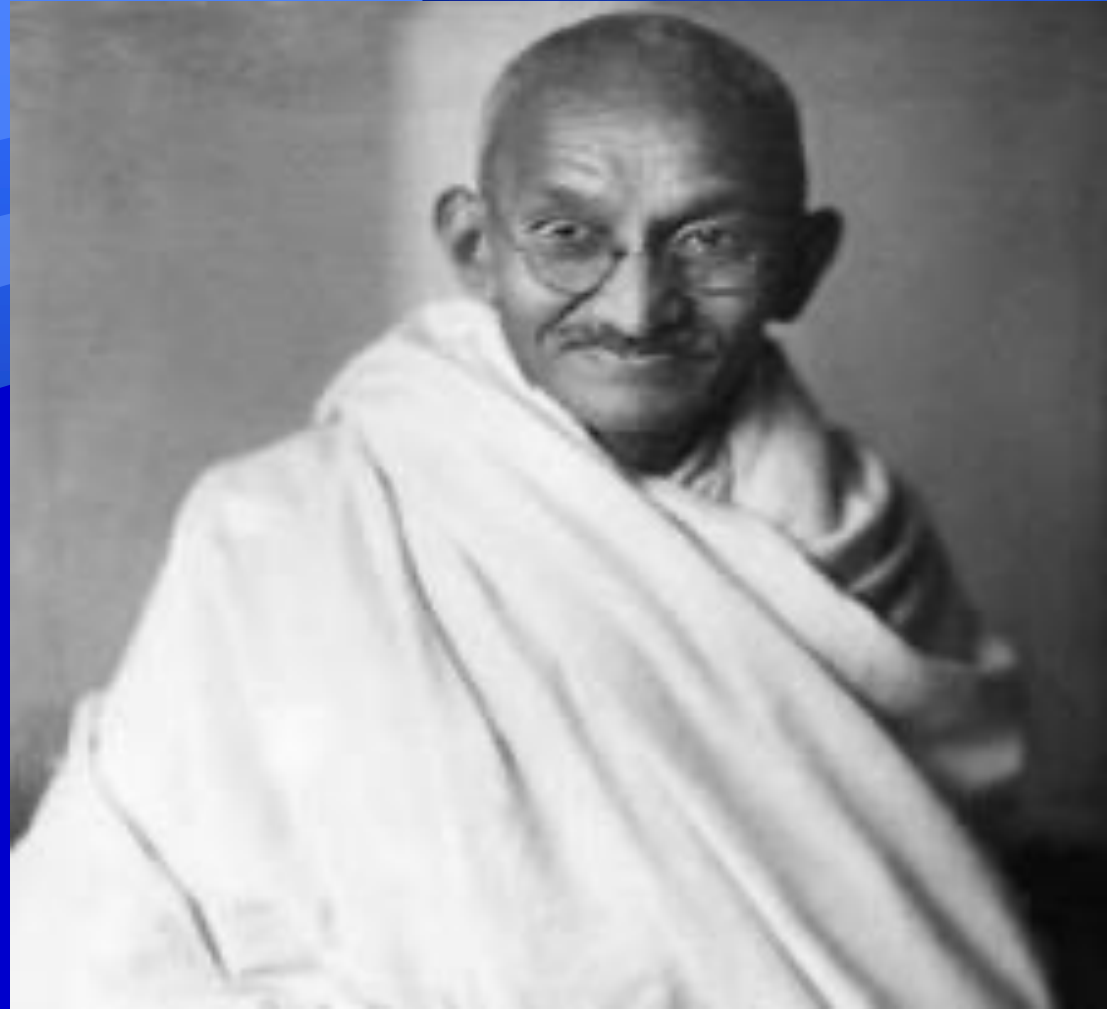
- *HIV Movement*
- *Mental Health Treatment – from asylums, shock treatment, lobotomies to person centered care*
- *The Women's Movement*

Advocacy

- *Within our agencies and field*
- *Allied Fields*
- *The broader community*

What it Takes to be a Great Advocate for Clients

- *Passion*
- *Courage*
- *Faith*
- *Love*
- *Inspirators*



Gandhi



Dr. Martin Luther King



Pee-wee Reese



Malala Yousafzai

*We Have an Ethical Responsibility to
Learn and Utilize Multiple Evidence
Based Practices*

*CBT is the most common evidence based
approach to treating traumatic stress
disorders.*

We have an ethical responsibility to become aware of culturally influenced approaches to treating traumatic stress disorders.

Historical Trauma

A cumulative emotional and psychological wounding over the lifespan and across generations, emanating from massive group trauma

- Brave Heart, 2000



Historical Trauma Features

- *Loss of culture*
- *Survivor guilt*
- *Depression*
- *Traumatic stress symptoms*
- *Numbing*
- *Low self esteem*

Historical Trauma Features Continued

- *Historical unresolved grief*
- *Substance use*
- *Suicidal ideations*
- *Traumatizing others at the micro and macro levels*

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—ARCHBISHOP DESMOND TUTU,
Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, 1984

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PRAYER, AND SEX CHANGED
A NATION AT WAR**

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A MEMOIR

LEYMAH GBOWEE
— CAROL MITHERS

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"An astonishing book...about suffering and dignity, death and resurrection, one of my favorite books in years. It is lovely and tough and tender beyond my ability to describe and left me in tears of both sorrow and laughter." —Anne Lamott, author of *Grace (Eventually)*

Tattoos on the Heart

THE POWER OF
BOUNDLESS COMPASSION



Gregory Boyle
Founder of Homeboy Industries

Winner of the 2011 PEN Center USA Literary Award for Creative Nonfiction

The Healing of Historical Trauma

- *Mass Mobilization*
- *Personal and Collective Mourning*
- *Redefining and returning to culture*
- *Achieving a new harmony*
- *Cultural revitalization and celebration*

White and Coyhis

Alkali Lake-95% Recovery
whitebison.org

24 -7 - 365 Terror

An Existential Concern

How long do African American and Latino males live?

Dispelling the Myth

- *500 murders annually*
- *40,000 annual births in Chicago*
- *2.7 million residents*

Dispelling the Myth Continued

- *9 million residents of Cook County*
- *112 murders in Englewood over last 20 years*
- *73 thousand residents of Englewood*
- *Life expectancy of African American men in Chicago is age 70. Hispanic Latino males age 73*

3 Waves of Trauma Informed Treatment

First Wave

- *Psychodynamic Approaches*
Judith Hermann
- *Safety*
- *Remembering and mourning*
- *Reconnection*
 - *Finding a survivor mission*
 - *Striving to reach your potential*

Second Wave

- *Cognitive Behavioral Therapies*

Third Wave

- *Experiential Approaches*



*September 11th survivors were asked
what helped them most with their trauma*

- *Acupuncture*
- *Massage*
- *Yoga*
- *Movement*
- *Dance*





Agency's Have an Ethical Responsibility to Create Trauma Informed System of Care

A trauma informed system of care recognizes and therapeutically responds to the impact of traumatic stress on those who have contact with the system from the initial phone call, through termination and follow-up. In a trauma informed system of care every member of the service team has an awareness of their role in reducing the impact of trauma on those seeking services.

The First 5 Minutes of Contact

- *A warm greeting*
- *Pictures on the wall*
- *Magazines in the waiting room*
- *A short wait*
- *An inviting waiting room*
- *Positive service energy*

Principles of Trauma Informed Care Continued

- *Parallel Process- How we treat each other impacts how we treat clients*
- *Do no harm*

Do No Harm

- *Avoid heavy confrontation*
- *Use person first language*
- *Avoid stigmatizing language*
 - *Addict*
 - *Dopefiend*
 - *Dirty drop*
 - *Clean*
- *Natural consequences rather than punishment*

Do No Harm Continued

- *Client is in charge of disclosure*
- *Missing details are ok*
- *One experience can stand for many*
- *Healthy boundaries*

Do No Harm Continued

- *Paternalism*
- *Discharge for confirming the diagnosis*
- *Keeping clients in therapy too long*
- *Treating aftercare as an afterthought*
- *Dual relationships*
- *Sexual exploitation*
- *Professional desertion*
- *Guard against burnout and compassion fatigue*

Sign of Compassion Fatigue

- *Loss of energy*
- *Loss of hope*
- *Loss of idealism*
- *Spiritual distress*
- *Shift in your world view*
- *Depersonalization*

Depersonalization

Compassion Fatigue Protective Factors

- *Laughter*
- *Feelings of appreciation*
- *Team cohesion*
- *Outlets to discuss traumatic experiences*

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