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BUILDING A COMMUNITY
CONTINUUM OF TRAUMA CARE:
GETTING EVERYONE TO THE TABLE

Presentation Objectives

- Learn tools for expanding trauma-informed response in partnership with community providers
- Learn to braid/develop/identify potential and existing funding sources
- Learn strategies to engage partners in culturally sensitive response to clients



Who we are



- Family Service of Rhode Island is one of the oldest and largest non-profit agencies in Rhode Island. Founded in 1892.
- A wide array of services for children, families, and adults throughout the state.
- COA accredited
- Large multi-cultural staff serving a large multi-cultural community

Our Department

- Trauma, Intake, and Emergency Services
 - ▣ Manages the centralized intake department
 - ▣ Focus is on programs responding to children and families who have been exposed to trauma and services for victims and their families
 - ▣ Focus on evidence-based practice, intervention, and evaluation
 - Child-Parent Psychotherapy
 - CD-CP
 - Trauma-Focused CBT
 - MET-CBT



What do we mean by collaboration?

- A model of cooperation where a diverse group of agencies and consumers come together to accomplish a common goal.

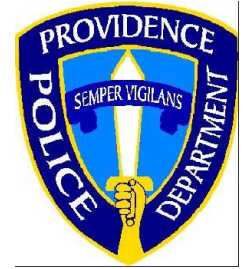


Why Choose Collaboration?

- Responds to the needs of the community and clients
- Enhances existing services both in quality and possibly quantity
- May lead to new services
- Increases the opportunity for cultural competence and exchange
- Opens the door to funding opportunities
- Contributes to transparency
- Builds a continuum of care that can respond in the context of the three phases of trauma recovery.
 - ▣ Safety & Stabilization
 - ▣ Narrative
 - ▣ Reconnection



Police Partnership is where it started



- Child Development-Community Policing Model, Yale Child Study Center
- Implemented CD-CP and expanded program to include full-time social worker who rides with police 5 nights a week
 - ▣ Expanded into SVU, Youth Services, School Resource Officers
- Attendance at weekly command staff meeting
- FSRI hosts a monthly lunch meeting with police to review cases

Police Partnership led to



- ❑ DEA After-hours Program for elders in crisis
- ❑ OJJDP Safe Start
- ❑ DCYF Children in Crisis Assessment Team (CCAT)
- ❑ Victim Work
 - ❑ Parole Board
 - ❑ DV follow-up
 - ❑ Victim Impact Classes
 - ❑ State Victim Assistance Academy
- ❑ NCTSN Children's Treatment and Recovery Center
- ❑ New Age of Aging mini-grant

Levels of collaboration

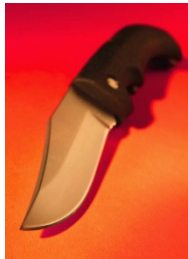
- Referral Sources and Resources
 - ▣ Rhode Island Coalition Against Domestic Violence
- Funded Partnerships
 - ▣ Contract for services- Department of Elderly Affairs
- Merged delivery of services
 - ▣ Providence Police Go-Team
 - ▣ DCYF CCAT
- Unfunded Partnerships
 - ▣ Community Based relationships
 - ▣ Child Safe Clinic
 - ▣ Rhode Island Hospital Emergency Department
- Personal VS. Organizational





Family Service of Rhode Island

Case Description



Mother of 2 stabbed to death and house set on fire - 911 called
PPD calls Family Service of RI to respond to Police Department to support family members

Go-Team responds including bilingual staff. Family is stabilized while investigation is underway, DCYF responds to assess placement for children. Family enrolls in Safe Start Program ,CPP begins.

Continuation of Trauma Services
FSRI helps family navigate agencies
DCYF --> Child Safe Clinic -->
Attorney General's Office --> Family Court



Family recovering with a lot of supports and continued CPP treatment. Grandmother has adopted both children.

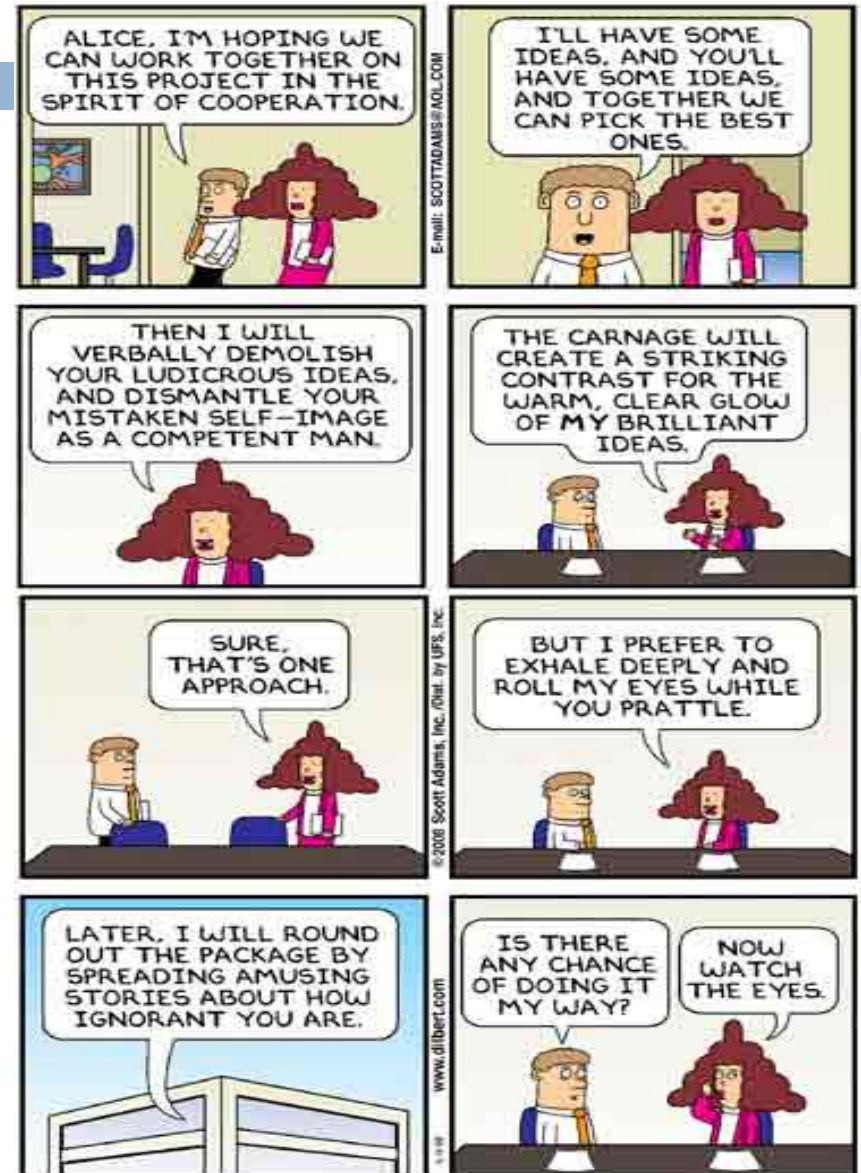
SAFETY AND STABILIZATION

NARRATIVE

RECONNECTION

Core Concepts and Strategies to Engage Partners

- Patience and Flexibility
- Consistency
- Follow-up
- Willingness to give in order to get
- Responding to the needs of community
- Cultural Responsivity
- Maintenance of relationships
- Financial risk



Suggestions for first steps

- Assessment of current trauma victim's needs beyond your agency
- Survey source of referrals— who are your natural partners? (ex: Child Welfare)
- Awareness of funding opportunities
- Develop leadership support
- Reaching out to cultural specific agencies (ex: CHispa) and responding to RFP's



Cultural Considerations

- Understand who the consumers are:
 - Needs
 - Country of origin
 - Language
 - Cultural norms/traditions
 - Views of services/mental health
 - Views of trauma



What are we doing to alleviate barriers?

- Multilingual/Multicultural Staff
- Public Education
- Latino Task Force
 - ▣ Cultural Brokers
 - ▣ Translated materials
 - ▣ Printed materials in easy to read and low literacy formats
 - ▣ Foreign language interpretation services



Sounds Great but who pays for it?

- Overview of our funding sources
 - VOCA
 - CDBG
 - OJJDP
 - SAMHSA
 - RI Foundation
 - OVC, Department of Justice
 - United Way
 - Victim Compensation Fund
 - Blue Cross Blue Shield
 - Private Foundations



Best places to explore funding

- Local and/or state foundations
- Victim money
 - ▣ VOCA, Crime Victim Compensation
- Federal funding
 - ▣ OJJDP, SAMHSA, OVC, DOJ
- State Funding
- City Funding
 - ▣ CDBG



Exploration of your own needs

- Organizational readiness questionnaire
 - Small group activity



Take-Aways?

