

SOUTH TEXAS TRAUMA INFORMED CARE CONSORTIUM



Vision: A Certified Trauma Informed Bexar County

Sector Support Group:

If you have a question or need to contact any of the workgroups, please reach out to these folks:

- **Angelica Valle**, (The Children’s Shelter). avalle@chshel.org She provides support to the full consortium in concert with the other support group.
- **Connie Soria** (City of San Antonio/COSA). Connie.soria@sanantonio.gov She works with:
 - Medical/Hospitals workgroup
 - Local Government workgroup
- **Cyndi Cardenas** (Voices For Children). ccardenas@voicessa.org She works with:
 - Education PreK-12 workgroup
 - Early Care and Education workgroup
 - Youth Development/Afterschool workgroup
 - Faith Based workgroup
- **Sean Greene** (City of San Antonio/COSA). Sean.greene@sanantonio.gov He works with:
 - Court Systems workgroup
 - Mental Health/Behavioral workgroup
- **Cheryl Weise** (The Children’s Shelter) cweise@chshel.org She works with:
 - Child Welfare/Foster Care workgroup
 - Family Support workgroup
 - Philanthropy workgroup
 - Newsletter

SCHEDULED GROUP MEETINGS

- **June 18**-Philanthropy
- **June 18**-Early Care & Education
- **June 19**-Education PK-12
- **June 24**-Local Govt & Strategic Communication
- **June 25**-Faith Based
- **June 27**-Child Welfare/Foster
- **July 23**-Medical/Hospitals
- **July 23**-Justice Systems
- **July 25**-Child Welfare/Foster Care
- **August 5**-Sector Support
- **August 8**-Family Support
- **August 29**-Child Welfare/Foster
- **Oct 9**-Full Consortium

Contact Sector Support team for information about these meetings if interested

DID YOU KNOW?!

The Trauma Informed Care Certifying Entity Business Plan is available to review! Click on the blue link below to read the plan:

[Click here](#)



JUNE 2019 *at a glance...*

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>17</p>	<p>18 Philanthropy group mtg Kronkosky Charitable Fdn 112 E Pecan Dt Ste 830 78205 3:00p-4:30p</p> <p>Early Care & Education group meeting @ AVANCE bldg., 118 N. Medina St. 3rd Floor Conference Rm 3p-4p</p>	<p>19 Education PK-12 group mtg Region 20 Rosebud Rm 1314 Hines Ave. 2:00p-3:30p</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 -</p>
<p>24 Local Govt. & Strategic Comm group meeting. Check with Connie Soria about time and location.</p>	<p>25 Faith Based group Location TBA</p>	<p>26 Community Health Training See the information and link below.</p>	<p>27 Child Welfare/Foster Care meeting at Casey Family Program 2840 Babcock 78229 2:00p-4:00p</p> <p>Community Health Training See the information and link below</p>	<p>28 Community Health Training See the information and link below.</p>

As highlighted in the *Rivard Report*, two local plays in June present opportunities to address PTSD and other trauma:

[click here for more information](#)

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES:

From AIMcares:

All the House Bills and Senate Bills on Education that had been attached to ACEs and TIC *did not pass*. But, the great news is that those bills were “lumped” into the large overarching S.B. 11 surrounding school safety and mental health promotion.

Effective, September 1, 2019. Under SB 11, there is a required training on Trauma-informed Care that it is cited in TEC § 38.036 for all school educators as part of new employee orientation. This requires training on awareness and implementation of trauma-informed care as part of all new employee orientation and for all existing educators on a schedule adopted by the Agency.

NEWS FROM UT TEEN HEALTH!**Now all 4 Trauma-Informed Care training modules are available:**

Trauma-Informed Approach, **Part I** defines trauma and discusses adverse childhood experiences, or ACEs; the effects or reactions to trauma, and developing a shift from the existing paradigm to a trauma-informed approach. (20 minutes) Accessed using the following link: [click here](#)
Use the password: UTteenhealth

Trauma-Informed Approach, **Part II** reviews how individuals can respond to traumatized youth, manage disclosures of abuse, and covers mandatory reporting. It also discusses how to refrain from re-traumatization and gives tips for building resiliency. (20 minutes) Accessed using the following link: [click here](#) Use the password: UTteenhealth

Trauma-Informed Approach, **Part III** outlines how a trauma-informed approach can be adopted by an organization, using six key principles. (20 minutes) Accessed using the following link: [click here](#) Use the password: UTteenhealth

Trauma-Informed Approach, **Part IV** provides an explanation of how the individuals who work with traumatized youth may experience vicarious trauma and gives self-care resources that are available to them. (20 minutes) Accessed using the following link: [click here](#) Use the password: UTteenhealth

Please let us know if you have any questions or issues.

Once you have completed each module, a certificate will be emailed to you in a separate email.

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A wonderful offering from COMMUNITY HEALTH TRAINING**via THE FAITH BASED INITIATIVE:****IT'S FREE, LOCAL AND OCCURS FOR 3 DAYS, 6/26-28! *and FREE LUNCH!*****Breakouts:**

- Trauma-Informed Care
- Mental Health First Aid
- Compassion Ethics with Self, Others and Systems
- Safe Communities
- ACEs: Adverse Childhood Experiences
- What is Child Abuse?
- TransSafe
- Stigma and Language
- Domestic Violence Prevention
- Buckle Up for Beginners
- Mature Drive Safety
- Darkness to Light Stewards for Children
- Health Literacy & Cultural Competency
- Social Determinants of Health
- HIV 101/Ryan White 101
- Increasing Your Understanding of LGBTQ+ People: Creating Safe Zones

[click here for more information](#)

BUILDING RESILIENCE IN THE SOUTH TEXAS COMMUNITY



HANDLE WITH CARE Program:

At the last full consortium meeting on June 5th, Officer Doug Greene with the SAPD offered information about a partnership between SAPD, the HANDLE WITH CARE program and three local school districts, ECISD, NEISD and SAISD. If a law enforcement officer encounters a child during a call, that child's information is forwarded to the school before the school bell rings the next day. The school implements individual, class and whole school trauma-sensitive curricula so the traumatized children are "Handled With Care". If a child need more intervention, on-site trauma-focused mental healthcare is available at the school. For more information, contact Officer Doug Greene, #1665, douglas.green@sanantonio.gov. 210.207.4849.

GOOD SAMARITAN:

Simon Salas described his organization and provided insight as to how they provide care and hope to the San Antonio community. He offered how important a first contact employee is to those who cross their doors looking for assistance. His agency is in the early stages of incorporating trauma-informed care into every aspect of **Good Samaritan** life.

In "Building Resilience" we can insert information about the work of one or two of our organizations at each newsletter. Send your information to: cweise@chshel.org



Below is a letter from a community partner:

Greetings Partners and Trauma-Informed Care Advocates,

Trauma-Informed Care Awareness month may be over, but raising awareness about Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and Trauma-Informed Care approaches is ongoing! WestCare Foundation and the Bexar County ReCAST (Resiliency in Communities After Stress & Trauma) Project is offering free community screenings of the documentaries, “Resilience: The Biology of Stress & The Science of Hope” and “Paper Tigers” directed by James Redford. Please see attachment for more information about each film.

The following link is to an article, “Lincoln High School in Walla Walla, WA, tries new approach to school discipline — suspensions drop 85%”, which is the subject of the film “Paper Tigers”

<https://acestoohigh.com/2012/04/23/lincoln-high-school-in-walla-walla-wa-tries-new-approach-to-school-discipline-expulsions-drop-85/>

We invite you to host a screening of either film for your staff, clients, volunteers, community groups, Board members, etc. If you have a group of 25 or more and would like to host a screening at your facility, please contact me with proposed dates, time, and location and I will contact you with more details to make it happen.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (210) 224-2351 ext. 169 or on my cell at (210) 608-6083. I look forward to hearing from you, as we continue efforts to making San Antonio a more trauma-informed community!

Kindest Regards,

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Workgroup and Other Highlights:

This newsletter is an endeavor from the Sector Support team. If you have information and resources to offer, please send those to Cheryl Weise, the current newsletter editor, at: cweise@chshel.org