



Trauma Response and the Criminal Justice System: A Virtual Summit on Knowledge, Healing, and Resilience

Measuring Trauma-Informed Care Across Sectors

Many agencies claim to be trauma-informed, but there is no agreement about what that actually means. How do you know if your staff are trauma-informed -- how do you measure it? The steps to doing a program evaluation and common questions will be reviewed. A significant roadblock to this goal is a lack of reliable and valid tools that evaluate TIC. This presentation will review the state of measurement in the TIC field, including several instruments. It will introduce the Attitudes Related to Trauma Informed Care instrument, (ARTIC) one of the first empirically validated measures. The ARTIC is administered on-line and generates reports about staff beliefs. Multiple administrations can demonstrate progress in changing a program's culture. It has been used by many agencies throughout the country and internationally.

Presenter: Patricia D. Wilcox

Patricia D. Wilcox, LCSW, is the Vice President of Strategic Development at Klingberg Family Centers, New Britain, Connecticut. She specializes in the treatment of traumatized children and their families. She created the Restorative Approach™, a trauma- and relationship-based treatment method. She oversees the Traumatic Stress Institute, is a Faculty Trainer for Risking Connection® and is an Adjunct Faculty at the University of Connecticut School of Social Work and at St. Joseph's University. She travels internationally to train providers on trauma-informed care, specializing in improving the daily life of treatment programs. She was the 2011 Connecticut Social Worker of the Year. She is the author of *Trauma Informed Care: The Restorative Approach* published by NEARI Press as well as several articles.

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John Engel is the Program Coordinator at the Traumatic Stress Institute working as a trainer and consultant to organizations adopting trauma-informed care and serves as the project lead for the online version of the ARTIC Scale, which provides online administration, analysis and dashboard results to schools and agencies measuring trauma-informed care attitudes and beliefs among paraprofessional and professional staff.