Essential Elements of Trauma-Informed Child Welfare Practice

1. Maximize the child’s sense of safety.
3. Help children make new meaning of their trauma history and current experiences.
4. Address the impact of trauma and subsequent changes in the child’s behavior, development, and relationships.
5. Coordinate services with other agencies.
6. Utilize comprehensive assessment of the child’s trauma experiences and their impact on the child’s development and behavior to guide services.
7. Support and promote positive and stable relationships in the life of the child.
8. Provide support and guidance to child’s family and caregivers.
9. Manage professional and personal stress.

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