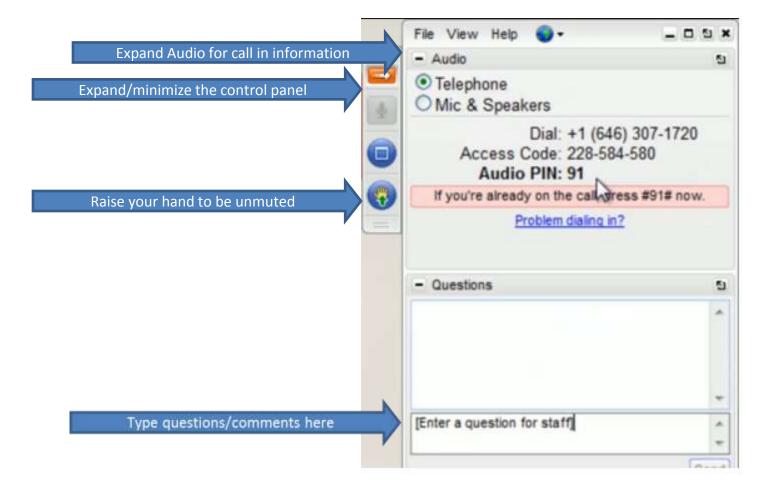
### **Prevention Peer Network**

December 17, 2015





### **Control Panel**





Please note, this webinar is being recorded.

### Agenda

#### Opening Circle

Interested in presenting about a prevention strategy? Email <u>emily@cpedv.org</u>

Training: Trauma-Informed Teen Dating Violence Prevention, presented by Ruby Solis, Community Education Manager, STAND!

- Discussion
  - Shared expertise, emerging issues, challenges, triumphs



### Save the Date!



March 22th-24th | DoubleTree by Hilton Sacramento



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### **Opening Circle**

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# Trauma-Informed Teen Dating Violence Prevention

#### *STAND! FOR FAMILIES FREE OF VIOLENCE*



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# Objectives

Strategies to develop a youth-friendly trauma-informed program A deeper understanding of how trauma, family violence, and community violence contribute to Teen Dating Violence Lessons learned and success stories

# Teen Dating Violence Defined

According to the Centers for Disease Control Teen Dating Violence is defined as the physical, sexual, or psychological/emotional violence within a dating relationship in adolescence. It can occur in person or electronically and may occur between a current or former dating partner.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nZ11945KwZc https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=074i9C-6LoA

# Teen Dating Violence Prevalence

"1/3 Teens experience some form of physical, sexual, emotional or verbal abuse from a dating partner, a figure that far exceeds other types of youth violence"

1/3

### STAND! overview

#### \* Prevention

\* Youth Education and Support Services

\* Intervention

\* Treatment



# Prevention Services: Youth Education Support Services

- \* Expect Respect
- \* Promoting Gender Respect
- \* You Never Win with Violence
- \* Youth Against Violence
- \* Adult Ally Training



### Trauma-Informed work

Trauma informed approach: Working with a traumatized community and taking the following into consideration:

- Understanding the challenges and trauma present in the community we work with
- Utilizing youth appropriate and youth-friendly materials
- Cultural humility
- Each person's response to trauma is unique
- Understanding triggers
- Building relationships
- Giving youth a sense of control

### Trauma and long-term effects

Trauma: A deeply distressing/disturbing life experience(s)

#### What we learned from the ACE study:

Almost two-thirds of study participants reported at least one ACE, and more than one of five reported three or more ACE. The short- and long-term outcomes of these childhood exposures include a multitude of health and social problems. Including:

- \* Alcoholism and alcohol abuse
- \* Depression
- \* Illicit drug use
- \* Liver disease
- \* Multiple sexual partners
- \* Sexually transmitted diseases (STDs)

Risk for intimate partner violence Health-related quality of life Ischemic heart disease (IHD) Suicide attempts Adolescent pregnancy Unintended pregnancies

# Our journey with Youth Traumainformed work

Kaiser Youth Trauma-Informed Grant

Task: Identify trauma markers in the youth you work with

Our strategy

- Youth focus groups
- Trauma screening tool
- Trauma training for prevention staff
- Coordination with schools and community partners to arrange for followup services

Trauma Screening Results

- 400 support group members targeted 70% screened positive for trauma
- Over 1/3 screened positive for PTSD specific markers

Impact of trauma-informed approaches in our services

- Relevant, youth-friendly modifications to our curricula and presentations
- Creation of new services to meet the needs of the community
- Increase in self-referrals
- Increase in group engagement and graduation
- Increase in post group involvement in youth leadership
- Increase in adult allies trained
- Increase in amount of youth served

You Never Win with Violence Workshop- numbers of youth served in academic year

2012-2013	2014-2015	2015-now
500	1576	1700

### Changing the conversation

#### Healthy Relationships vs. Unhealthy Relationships v. Abusive Relationships

#### Forms of abuse:

- 1. Physical Smothering/unwanted clinging
  - Jokes at my expense
    - Comparison to other girls/boys Subliminals
      - Pressuring for sexual activity
    - Apology gifts

Restraint/Force Putdowns Forcing a physical change Exposing Forcing/Coercing Gifts with conditions

- 2. Verbal
- 3. Emotional
- 4. Cyber
- 5. Sexual
- 6. Financial

Strategies for youth traumainformed approaches

Create a space that is

- Safe
- Youth-friendly and accessible (materials, lessons, etc.)
- Relevant
- Inclusive of traumatic life experiences, especially the issues that
  intersect with Teen Dating Violence
- Modify materials, curricula, and presentations to reflect these changes
- Create new materials or services to better address the unique challenges your youth face

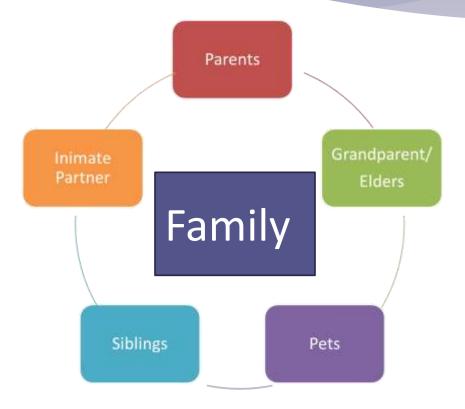
Tips for starting up traumainformed work with youth

Staff training

- Adopting a model for the organization (i.e. Sanctuary, STAR, etc.)
- Destigmatize dating violence issues, trauma, and mental health support
- Assessing need: focus groups, youth voices and opinions
- Assessing capacity
- Choosing a trauma-informed model of service that is feasible for the program/organization
- Youth leadership programs- giving youth a voice

# Examples of trauma-informed modifications

### Family



### Family Violence



# "We're talking"

"Hooking Up"

#### "Going out"

"Hanging Out"

"Messing around"

"Doing my thing"

"Seeing each other"

"Boo'ed up"

"SEXTING:"

"Crushing"

"Kikin"

"Fooling around"

# What do teens call their intimate relationships?

# Digital Abuse



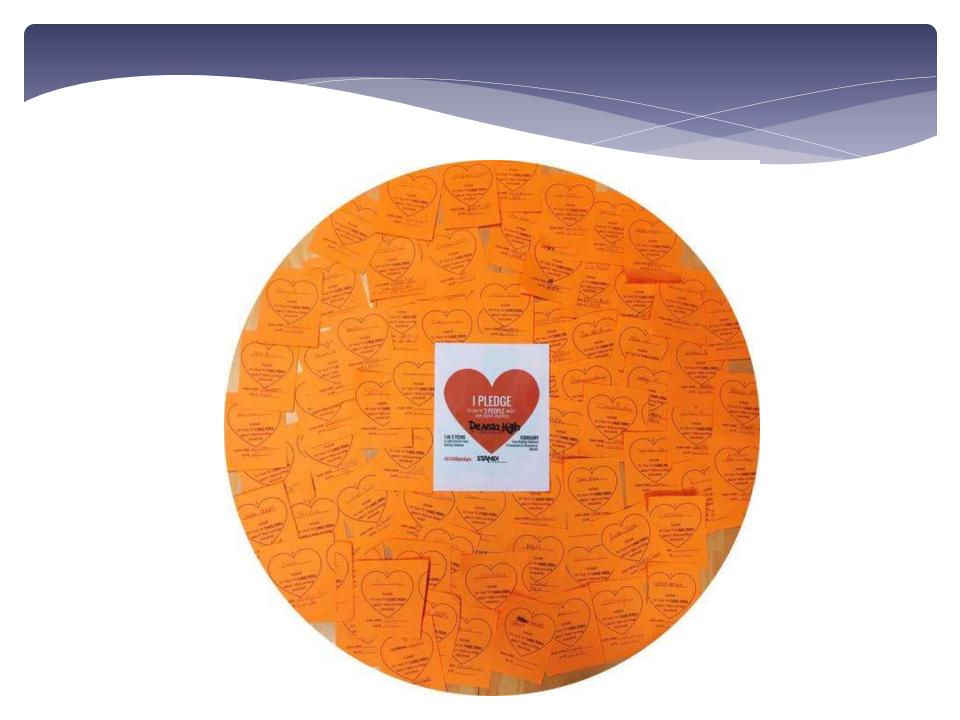
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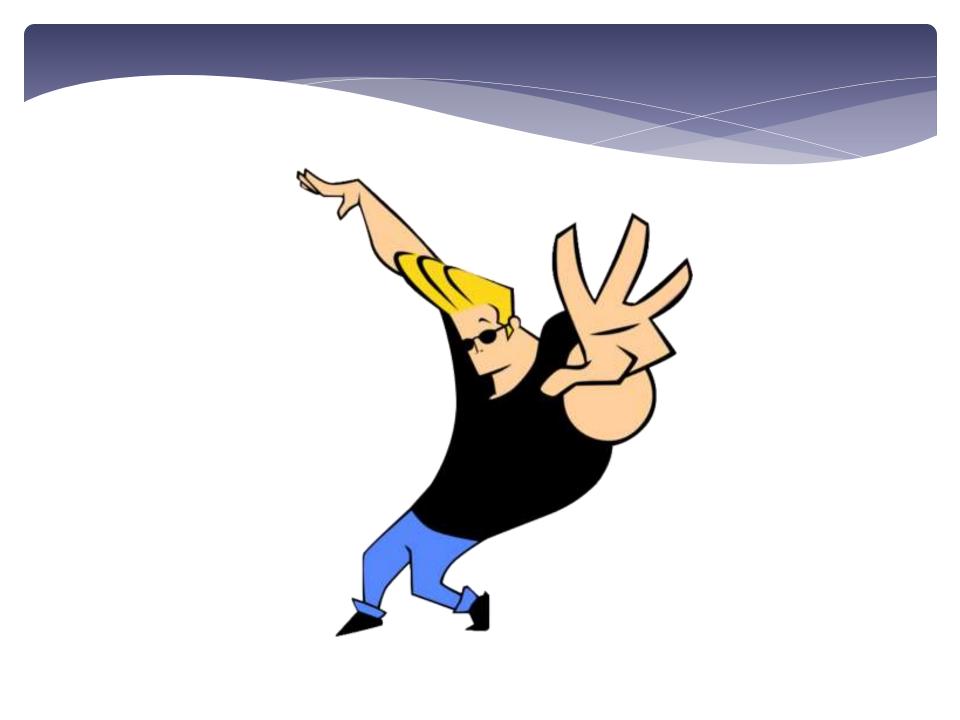


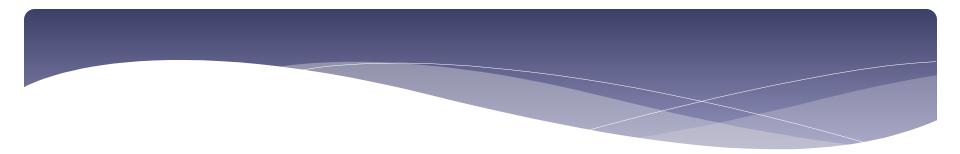




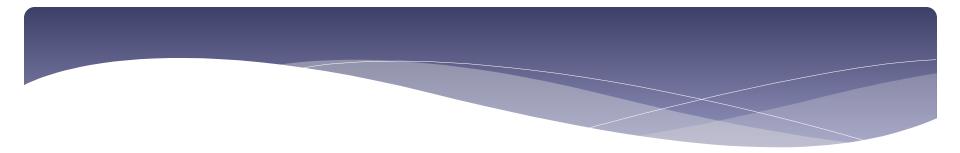




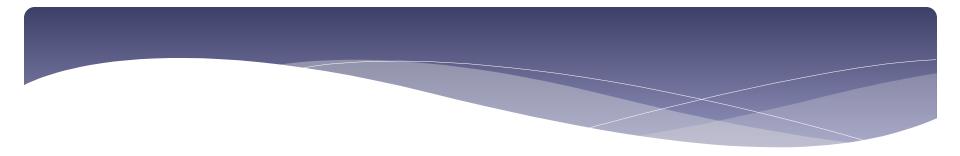




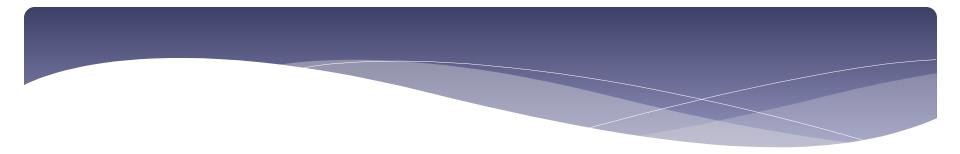




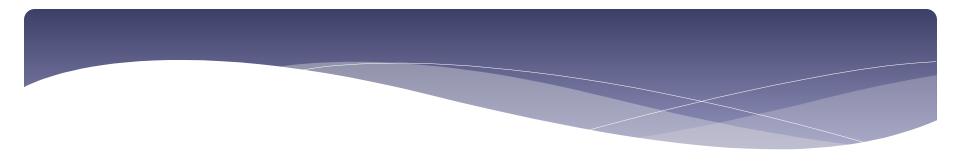














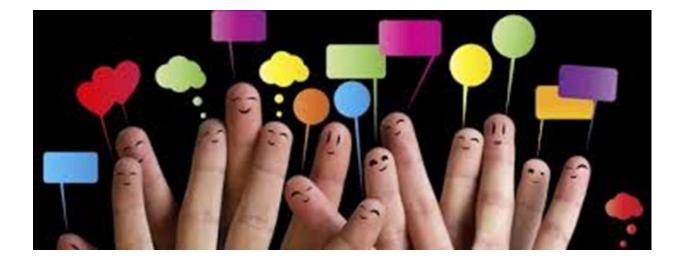
### Success stories- youth voices





### Shared expertise and discussion

- Other expertise or experiences with TOPIC FROM THIS MONTH?
- Current emerging issues?
- Challenges or triumphs?









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