Adverse Childhood Experience* Categories

Abuse of Child

- Recurrent Severe Emotional abuse
- Recurrent Physical abuse
- Contact Sexual abuse

Trauma in Child's Household Environment

- Substance abuse
- Parental separation or divorce -
- Chronically depressed, emotionally disturbed or suicidal household
- Mother treated violently

member

- Imprisoned household member
- by suicide, or by abandonment)

Neglect of Child

- Abandonment
- Child's basic physical and/or emotional needs unmet
- * Above types of ACEs are the "heavy end" of abuse.

Impact of Trauma and Health Risk Behaviors to Ease the Pain

Neurobiologic Effects of Trauma

- Disrupted neuro-development
- Difficulty controlling anger-rage
- Hallucinations
- Depression
- Panic reactions
- Anxiety
- Multiple (6+) somatic problems
- Sleep problems
- Impaired memory
- Flashbacks
- Dissociation

Health Risk Behaviors

- Smoking
- Severe obesity
- Physical inactivity
- Suicide attempts
- Alcoholism
- Drug abuse
- 50+ sex partners
- Repetition of original trauma
- Self Injury
- Eating disorders
- Perpetrate interpersonal violence

Long-Term Consequences of Unaddressed Trauma (ACEs)

Disease and Disability

- Ischemic heart disease
- Cancer
- Chronic lung disease
- Chronic emphysema
- Asthma
- Liver disease
- Skeletal fractures
- Poor self rated health

Sexually transmitted disease

■ HIV/AIDS

Serious Social Problems

- Homelessness
- Prostitution
- Delinquency, violence, criminal behavior
- Inability to sustain employment
- Re-victimization; rape, DV
- compromised ability to parent
- Intergenerational transmission of abuse
- Long-term use of health, behavioral health, correctional, and social services