## A2 POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER IN CHILDREN AND TEENS

Children, youth and families experience trauma in their lives that can have immediate and long-term effects on their ability to function at school, in the home, and with peers. Untreated trauma can have long-lasting effects on our mental health, our physical health, and our ability to achieve success in adult life. Workshop participants will have an opportunity to identify how different factors and trauma impact brain and emotional development and will gain increased awareness of the signs and symptoms of PTSD in children and youth. Participants will engage in discussions of effective professional treatment strategies and will learn and practice basic ways of helping youth in their homes to decrease reactivity and increase trust and connection within the family and school setting. (Also approved for social worker CEUs.)

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