


Forensic Clients in AOD Services

What role does Trauma Play?



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Acknowledgement To Country

I wish to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which I am conducting this webinar and also the lands on which our webinar participants are located. I wish to pay my respect to Elders past and present and extend that respect to other Indigenous Australians who might be present at this webinar.



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What do we mean by trauma?

- Definition
- Single event trauma
- Complex trauma
- Evidence



Why is Trauma important?

- Understanding the impact of trauma
- Prevalence
- Alcohol and Other Drug Services
- Criminal Justice Systems



What do consumers say?

- Relationship
- Safety
- Respect

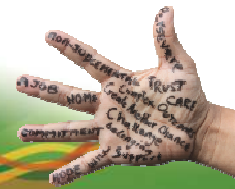


What are the Challenges and Opportunities in working in Justice Health Services from a trauma informed perspective?



Assessment

- Having to tell my story again
- Mandated assessment
- Risk Assessment –
- Training for staff



The Trauma of Justice Systems

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=odcsxUbVyZA>



Conclusion

- A significant number of clients referred through our justice programs for treatment will have a history of trauma , not only simple but complex
- We ignore trauma informed care principles at the risk of re traumatising our clients



Questions?

“Everyone has a right to have a future that is not dictated by the past.”

- Karen Saakvitne

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