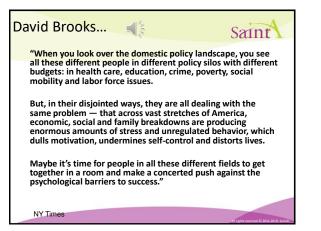




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#### "Trauma is to mental health as smoking is to cancer"

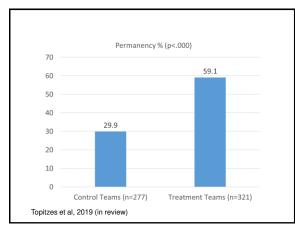
-Dr. Steven Sharfstein Former President, American Psychiatric Association



# The list goes on and on... Lawsuit in Compton Medical community – stress and inflammation Workforce Politics Your local trend(s) here



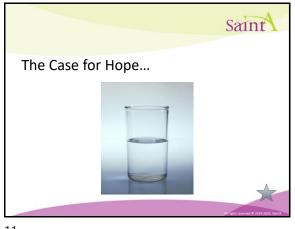




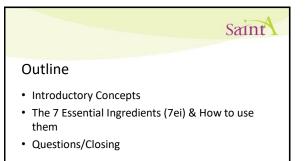












#### Learning Objectives Saint

- To appreciate the frequency of adverse experiences in people's lives and gain a better understanding of the social, emotional, physiological and developmental effects of trauma on people, families and communities
- To understand and respond to behavior from a trauma informed perspective
- To understand the value of developmentally informed activities to enhance regulatory capacity
- To understand techniques that can enhance relational well being for people who have experienced adversity

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#### Learning Objectives Saint

- To understand ways to inspire a sense of purpose, belonging and safety with people
- To understand techniques that can enhance the capacity to care and appreciate the connection between caregiver capacity and customer outcomes
- To be motivated to start putting ingredients together in practice to enhance services to people who have experienced adversity

 To recognize that Historical/Inter-generational trauma and equity are central to understanding trauma for all people

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#### Environment

Natural light, green space, colors, structure, fidgets, information, "feel of the place", customer service, curious, respect, agency culture/process, etc. The context in which clients interact and staff work

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- TI Care (7ei)
- Informal Supports
- Peer Support

In vivo re-scripting
 What helpers do when interacting with clients

- <u>T</u>reatment
- Clinical Problem Solving (NMT)
   Evidence Based Models
- Evidence Based Model
   (TF-CBT, PE, EMDR)
   Clinical re-scripting
- Referral to clinical

specialist for specific Tx

#### Trauma Definition

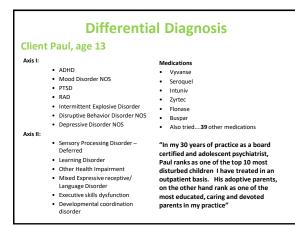
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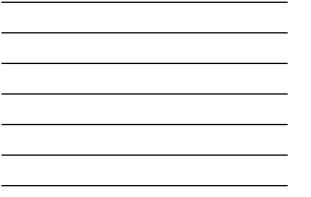
- 1) Exposure to an event or series of events that *threatens/harms physical or emotional integrity* of the individual or someone close to them
- 2) Overwhelms the person's ability to respond
- 3) Adaptations create significant *difficulty in functioning*

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Stress Unpredictable Severe Prolonged Vulnerability Resilience





#### Saint Historical/Intergenerational Trauma

- Boarding Schools
- Slavery/Jim Crow
- Holocaust
- Others?

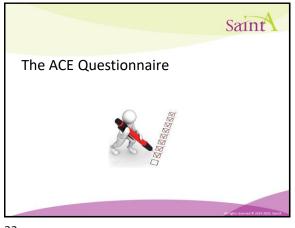


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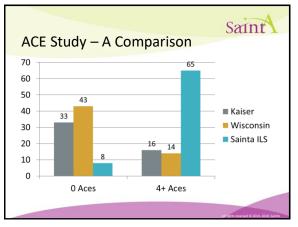
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# #1 Prevalence Overview • How often does this happen? • For whom? • How does it compare? • What about your population?



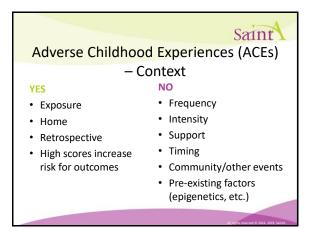


ACE	Study		Saint
Household dysfunction	Kaiser	WI	ILS
Substance abuse	27%	26%	62%
Parental separation/divorce	23%	24%	62%
Mental illness	19%	16%	42%
Violence between adults	13%	16%	31%
Incarcerated household member	5%	7%	50%
Abuse			
Psychological /Emotional	11%	29%	54%
Physical	28%	17%	42%
Sexual	21%	11%	27%
Neglect			
Emotional	15%		54%
Physical	10%		42% All rights reserved ID 2014- 2019, Saint



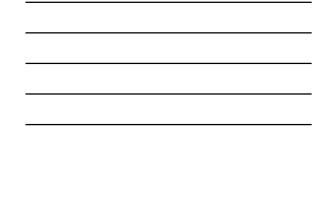


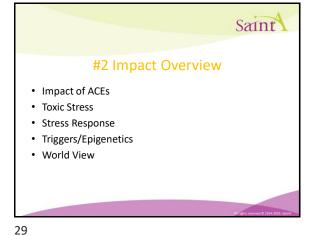
Urban ACE Indicators					
Indicator	Philadelphia Study	White	Black		
Witnessed violence in the neighborhood	40.5%	25.9%	52%		
Felt discrimination based on race or ethnicity	34.5%	15.8%	49.5%		
Adverse neighborhood experience, feeling unsafe/not trusting one's neighbor	27.3%	19.3%	29.2%		
Bullied	7.9%	9%	6.4%		
Lived in foster care	2.5%	1%	4.1%		

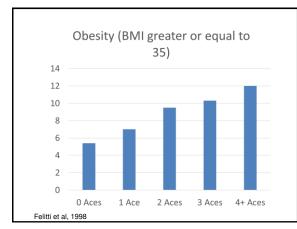




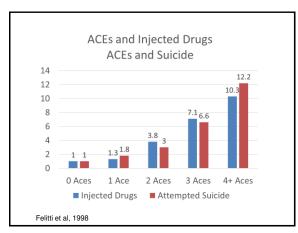


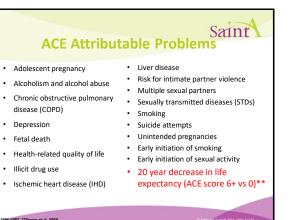


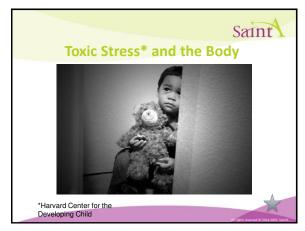












#### Classic trauma symptoms

- Re-experiencing symptoms:
- Flashbacks—reliving the trauma over and over, including physical symptoms like a racing heart or sweating
- Bad dreams
- Frightening thoughts.
- Avoidance symptoms:
- Staying away from places, events, or objects that are reminders of the

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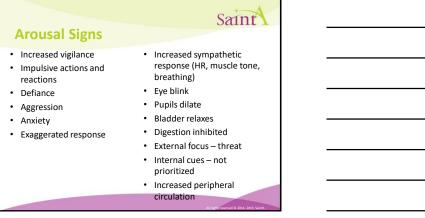
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experience

- Feeling emotionally numb
- Feeling strong guilt, depression, or worry
- Losing interest in activities that were enjoyable in the past
- Having trouble remembering the dangerous event.
- Hyperarousal symptoms:
- Being easily startled
- Feeling tense or "on edge"
- Having difficulty sleeping, and/or having angry outbursts.

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#### **Dissociative Signs**

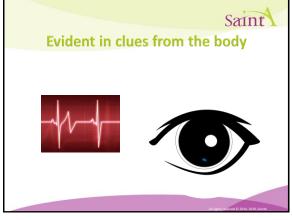
- Withdrawal
- Compliance
- Detached from present (reenacting experiences/ engaging with internal world/ talking to self)
- Losing time, memory or skills
- Seeming "spaced out" or in a fog
- Lack of connection to body or feeling pain
- Cutting/Self harming
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 Increased parasympathetic activity (vagal) – HR decreases

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- Eye blink & eye roll
- Pupil constriction
- Bladder contracts
- Digestion stimulated
- Internal focus minimize
- injuryDecrease in peripheral
- circulation

- Saint Signs in older youth/adults (chronic exposure) • Anhedonia
- Numb
- Numb
- Cynical
- Constantly seeking pain
- Helplessness
- Emotional response (sensitivity) is gone
- Others?



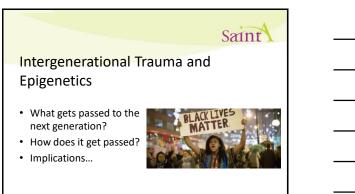
#### **Trauma Triggers**

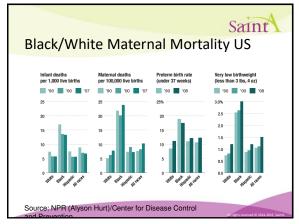
- The smell of alcohol, cologne, things burning
- Being pinned down
- Raised voice
- Unexpected loud noise
- Others?



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"The reasons for the black-white divide in both infant and maternal mortality have been debated by researchers and doctors for more than two decades. But recently there has been growing acceptance of what has largely been, for the medical establishment, a shocking idea: For black women in America, an inescapable atmosphere of societal and systemic racism can create a kind of toxic physiological stress, resulting in conditions - including hypertension and pre-eclampsia - that lead directly to higher rates of infant and maternal death. And that societal racism is further expressed in a pervasive, longstanding racial bias in health care - including the dismissal of legitimate concerns and symptoms — that can help explain poor birth outcomes even in the case of black women with the most advantages."

Villarosa, NY Times, 2018

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#### Saint Impact on Worldview

Typical Development vs. Developmental Trauma

Humans = safe

thrive

- Humans = threat
- Relational tolerance
- Relational sensitivity
- Bad things "accidents" • Bad things – "on purpose" • Risk is - reinforced
- Risk is + reinforced Prioritize opportunities to • Prioritize safety

  - THESE ARE ADAPTIVE!





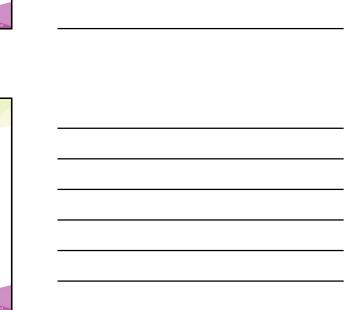
**#3 Perspective Shift Overview** 

Identify perspective New biology

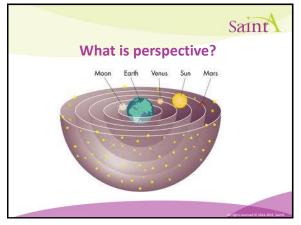
• Traditional vs. TIC

• Perspective as an intervention

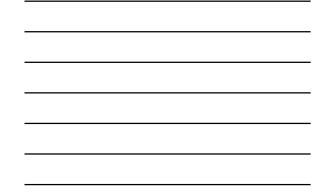
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#### Polyvagal Theory\*

 More validation that what you feel/how you say things matters more than what you say



\*Porges, S

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#### What is implicit bias?

"Implicit bias is the brain's automatic, instantaneous association of stereotypes and attitudes with particular groups (Dovidio & Gaertner, 2004). These biases exist beyond our conscious awareness and are often contrary to our conscious values and ideals. In fact, implicit bias is a greater predictor of our behavior than our conscious values. "

MacFarlane et al, 2016



# Perception: How do we view kids?

Traditional View	Trauma Informed View
Acting out	Emotionally dysregulated
Anger management problems	Scared / fight, flight, freeze response
Willful and naughty	Adaptive patterns of behavior
Manipulative	Seeking to get needs met
Uncontrollable	In need of skills to self-regulate
Off task/ not paying attention	Hypervigilant or dissociative adaptations
Pushing buttons	Negative template or worldview
In need of consequences to motivate	In need of effective intervention to heal
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#### Perception: How do we view adults?

Traditional View	Trauma Informed View
Non-compliant, disrespectful	Scared, seeking control
Lazy	Feels helpless
Uncaring, disengaged	Overwhelmed, disenfranchised
Manipulative	Seeking to get needs met
Angry	Survival adaptation
Delayed/ "slow"	Dissociative
System distrust	Historical trauma

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#### Concrete strategies

- Miracle question\*
- Change tense (past, present, future)
- Exceptions
- Strengths or resiliency focus
- Address bias (intention/attention/time, increase positive contact)\*\*

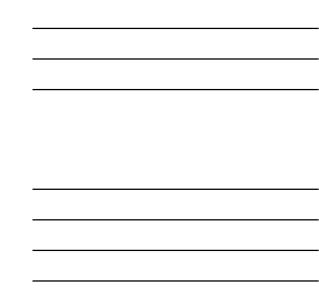
\*Howes, 2010, \*\*Hammond, 2015

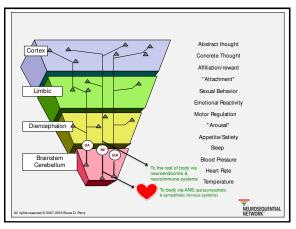


**#4 Regulation Overview** 

Neurodevelopment 101State dependent functioningRegulation interventions

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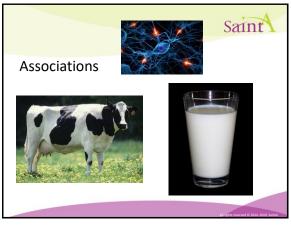


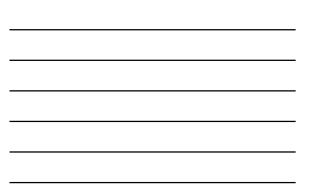


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Dissociative Continuum	Rest (F > M: C>A)	Avoidance	Compliance	Dissociation	Fainting
Primary secondary Brain Areas	NEOCORTEX Subcortex	SUBCORTEX Limbic	LIMBIC Midbrain	MIDBRAIN Brainstem	BRAINSTEM Autonomic
Cognition	Abstract	Concrete	Emotional	Reactive	Reflexive
Mental State	CALM	ALERT	ALARM	FEAR	TERROR









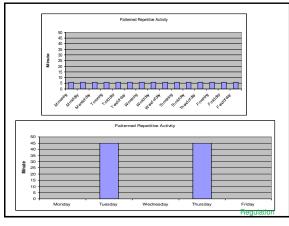


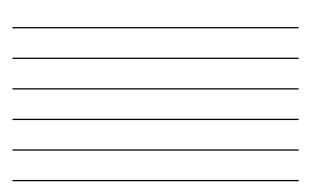
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#### Sensory based activities

- Touch: Weighted vests/ blankets; Massage/ pressure, fidgets
- Sound: Music, silence
- Sight: Pictures, videos, lava lamps, fish tanks, beach
- <u>Smell:</u> Candles, lotion, aromatherapy, cooking
- Taste/ oral: Sucking through a straw (applesauce, milkshake etc.)
- <u>Vestibular</u>: Swinging, rocking, pogo stick
- Proprioception / Movement: Swimming, walking/running, jumping, crab walk

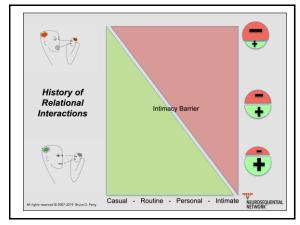














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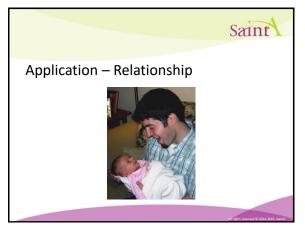
#### Attunement

- Convey intention through the face and the body
- .
- Eyes How is the child responding to your eyes avoiding, embracing, intermittent? Tone of voice
- .
- Soft, fast, rhythmic .
- The interplay between theirs and your gestures/movement . Posture
- How close? How engaged to be? .

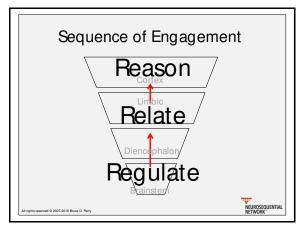


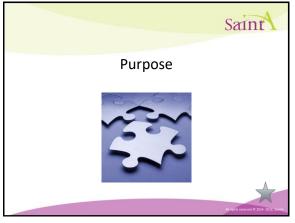
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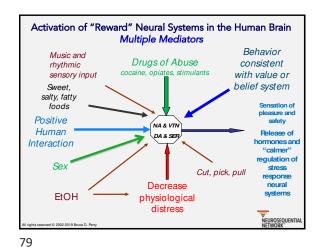


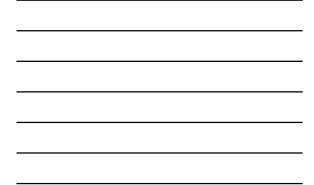


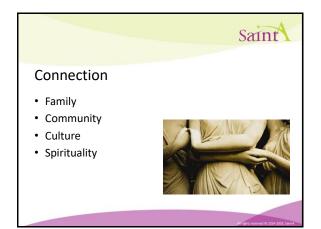


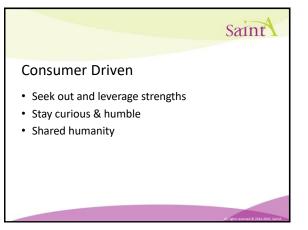








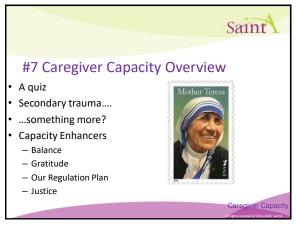




# Seint **Resilience** • Nature vs. Nurture • **Competent** & Caring • Macro perspective

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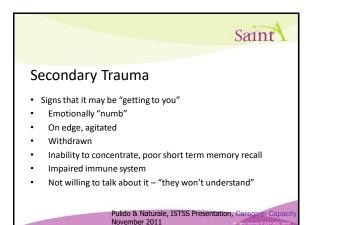


#### 10 Questions to Assess Caregiver Saint

#### Capacity

- Has your circle of friends changed from when you started the job to now?
- Does the TV remote get stuck on SVU, etc. when channel surfing or do you actively avoid? Has your significant other ever told you to get off the phone while at an important event for your kids? .
- . . Do you have a habit of staying up late to make sure you are "good and tired" or do you take anything to help yourself fall asleep?
- . Have you seen your Dr in the past year for chest pain, non-specific digestive issues, or general anxiety?
- . Do you allow your child to go to the bathroom at the YMCA without making sure it is safe? Do you often get sick (flu/cold) while on vacation? .
- Do you struggle to remember specific dates/events (Johnny's baseball game was last Tuesday at 5:00) but do remember general themes (Johnny was upset because he got yelled at by his . coach)?
- Have you ever remembered at 5:00 that you had to go to the bathroom at 12:00 and forgot? • . Have you ever gotten upset when forced to make a simple choice - i.e., where do you want to eat tonight?

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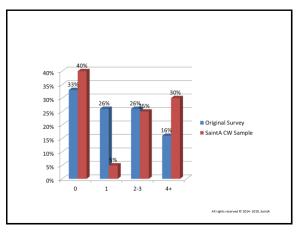


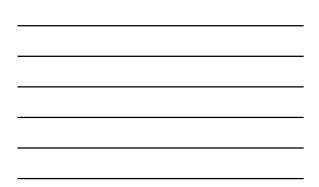
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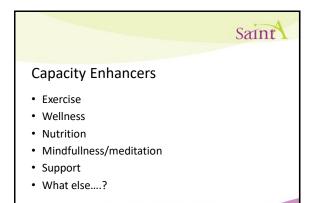
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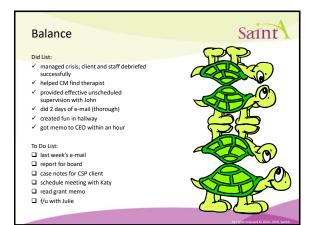
#### Is it just STS?

- Primary trauma
- Primary trauma history
- Vicarious process
- Burnout
- · Media scrutiny
- Structural





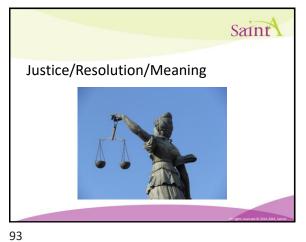








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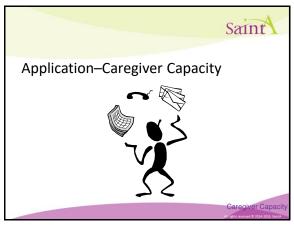


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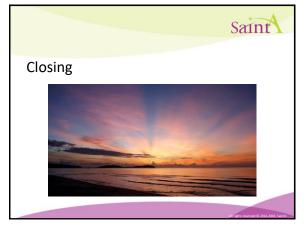
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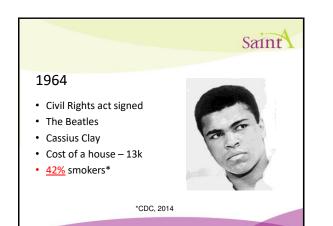
- Caseload, classroom size, ratio of staff/kids, patients per physician, etc.
- Supervisor/Staff ratios
- Mandated vs. agency imposed additional duties, initiatives, etc.
- Meeting necessity/efficiency

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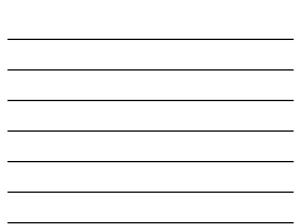
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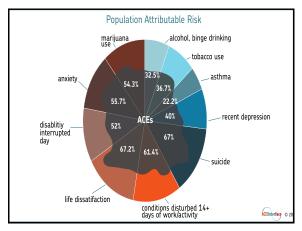


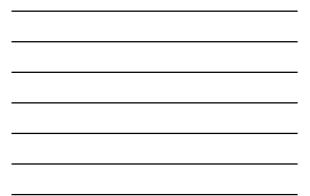












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