

Secondary Traumatic Stress in Child Welfare Practice: Trauma-Informed Guidelines for Organizations

A valuable resource designed to assist the leadership of child welfare agencies, and other child- and family-serving organizations, support their workforce and provide concrete strategies for approaching secondary traumatic stress (STS).

These guidelines were created to highlight the organizational components that should be considered in regards to STS within four distinct phases in the life of the child welfare workforce and how to evaluate the components throughout all phases:

Hiring Phase
Critical First Three Months

The Cumulative Effect
Critical Incident Debriefing

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