How to Manage Trauma

Trauma occurs when a person is overwhelmed by events or circumstances and responds with intense fear, horror, and helplessness. Extreme stress overwhelms the person's capacity to cope. There is a direct correlation between trauma and physical health conditions such as diabetes, COPD, heart disease, cancer, and high blood pressure

HOW COMMON IS TRAUMA?

70% of adults in the U.S. have experienced some type of traumatic event at least once in their lives. That's **223.4 million people.**





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In public behavioral health, **over 90%** of clients have experienced trauma.

Trauma is a risk factor in nearly all behavioral health and substance use disorders.

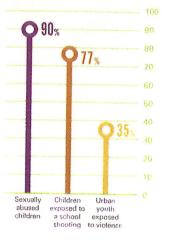
In the United States, a woman is **beaten every 15 seconds**, a forcible rape occurs every 6 minutes.





More than **33% of youths** exposed to community violence will experience Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, a very severe reaction to traumatic events.

Nearly all children who witness a parental homicide or sexual assault will develop Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. Similarly, 90% of sexually abused children, 77% of children exposed to a school shooting, and 35% of urban youth exposed to community violence develop Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.



TRAUMA CAN STEM FROM

Childhood abuse or neglect

War and other forms of violence

Physical, emotional, or sexual abuse

Accidents and natural disasters

Grief and loss

Medical interventions

Witnessing acts of violence

Cultural, intergenerational and historical trauma