ABOUT BUILDING STRONG BRAINS

Tennessee’s ACEs Initiative Mission
We work to change the culture of Tennessee so that the state’s overarching early childhood philosophy, policies, programs and practices utilize the latest brain science to prevent and mitigate the impact of adverse childhood experiences.

Public Private Partnerships
Public Sector Steering Group
Balanced by
Private Sector Steering Group
Supported by
Foundations and In-kind Resources
of Tennessee State Government

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Adverse Childhood Experiences

Early Life Stress Impacts Life-long Health and Development

The Cost of ACEs

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that the lifetime costs associated with child maltreatment is $1 trillion.

FY 2017 ACES INNOVATIONS

1. ACE Health Care Provider Educational Program
   Baptist Memorial Hospital for Women, Memphis
2. ACE Initiative Program
   Murfreesboro City Schools, Murfreesboro
3. ACEs On-Line Learning for Early Childhood Workforce Project
   Tennessee State University, Statewide
4. Belmont University’s Educating Trauma Informed Professionals
   Belmont University, Nashville
5. Building Strong Brains and Strong Families: Implementation of Trauma Informed Care at Boys & Girls Club of Johnson City/Washington County
   Frontier Health, Northeast Tennessee
6. Community Resilience: Educate, Act, Train, Inspire, Value, Empower (CREATIVE) Program
   United Way of Greater Chattanooga (UWGC)
7. Discover Together
   Tracy City, Grundy County
8. Head Start Trauma Smart
   South Central Human Resource Agency
9. Medical Collaborations and Nurturing Parents Program
   Frontier Health, Northeast Tennessee
10. Mitigating ACEs in Pediatric Primary Care
    Vanderbilt University, Nashville
11. Protecting Children from ACEs and Trauma (PCAT)
    University of Tennessee Health Science Center (UTHSC)
12. Trauma Informed Practices
    Metro Nashville Public Schools, Nashville
13. The Infant Court Project, Davidson County
    Association of Infant Mental Health in Tennessee (AIMHiTN), Nashville