

THE TRUTH ABOUT ACEs

WHAT ARE THEY?

ACEs *are*
ADVERSE
CHILDHOOD
EXPERIENCES

The three types of ACEs include

ABUSE



Physical



Emotional



Sexual

NEGLECT



Physical



Emotional

HOUSEHOLD DYSFUNCTION



Mental Illness



Mother treated violently



Divorce



Incarcerated Relative



Substance Abuse

HOW PREVALENT ARE ACEs?

The ACE study* revealed the following estimates:

ABUSE

Physical Abuse 28.3%

Sexual Abuse 20.7%

Emotional Abuse 10.6%

NEGLECT

Emotional Neglect 14.8%

Physical Neglect 9.9%

percentage of study participants that experienced a specific ACE

HOUSEHOLD DYSFUNCTION

Household Substance Abuse 26.9%

Parental Divorce 23.3%

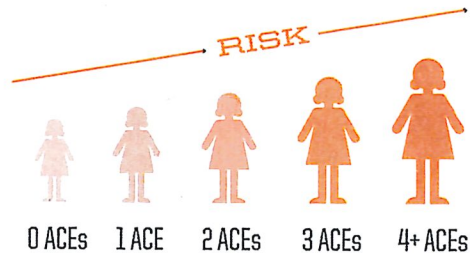
Household Mental Illness 19.4%

Mother Treated Violently 12.7%

Incarcerated Household Member 4.7%

WHAT IMPACT DO ACEs HAVE?

As the number of ACEs increases, so does the risk for negative health outcomes



Possible Risk Outcomes:

BEHAVIOR



Lack of physical activity



Smoking



Alcoholism



Drug use



Missed work

PHYSICAL & MENTAL HEALTH



Severe obesity



Diabetes



Depression



Suicide attempts



STDs



Heart disease



Cancer



Stroke



COPD



Broken bones

Of 17,000 ACE study participants:

