### Outline

#### **Brain Regions Affected by Trauma in Children and Adolescents**

How the brain responds when activated with trauma

Developmental impact of early traumatic experiences on the brain

Areas of the brain that are restricted when trauma occurs in children and adolescents Basic ways to re-engage the brain after a trauma response

## **Presentations and Screening Techniques for Simple and Complex**

Distinguish between simple and complex trauma

Recognize the manifestation and presentation of trauma symptoms in children and adolescent clients

Common misdiagnosis of trauma

Fundamental trauma screening techniques for children and adolescents

#### **Assessment and Stabilization Tools** for Child and Adolescent Trauma Clients

Trauma assessment tools specific to children and adolescents

Techniques that target the vagus nerve to mitigate somatic symptoms

Grounding and coping strategies for managing trauma responses

Identify indicators for when a client has achieved sufficient stability for trauma work

#### **Application of EMDR Therapy to** Sessions

How EMDR is able to target trauma and attachment with children

Dual awareness techniques specific for children and adolescents

EMDR resourcing skills to increase clients' sense of regulation

Titrate exposure from intense emotional responses to states of somatic grounding

#### **Somatic and Sensory Approaches to Treat Physical Symptoms of Trauma**

The association between the brain and body as it relates to trauma

Discover the ways that trauma is re-experienced with children and adolescents

Using EMDR to address sleep disturbances and other physical symptoms in children and adolescents

Interventions to activate the nervous system and calm the senses

#### Trauma Treatment with EMDR and **Attachment Techniques:**

Overcoming Maladaptive Coping, **Emotional Dysregulation and Avoidance** 

The link between trauma and attachment The methodology of EMDR and memory reconsolidation

Information processing theory and bilateral stimulation techniques

Applying a 3-prong approach in EMDR trauma therapy

Maladaptive cognitive patterns that occur when trauma is experienced or triggered Safely engaging in restricted processing Strategies to address attachment-based needs and deficits

Interventions to soften protective mechanisms and disrupt unhealthy patterns of behavior

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Megan Boardman, LCSW, ACADC, CCTP-II, EMDR-C, is a Certified EMDR clinician and trainer, as well as a Certified Clinical TRAUMA Professional II through Evergreen Certifications. Megan is also an Advanced Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor, who formerly owned and operated one of the largest treatment centers for substance abuse and trauma in Southeast Idaho, which was voted best in practice for 2019.

Her trainings have helped thousands of clinicians across the US get the most of EMDR, trauma and addiction-based skills and practices. She has been invited to train internationally at the International Society of Addiction Medicine in India, the International Conference on Addiction Research and Therapy in Amsterdam and at the Psicologia Institute of Italy. Megan has extensively been trained on the use of EMDR as a protocol and uses EMDR in her practice to achieve improved outcomes with a broad spectrum of clients in the areas of trauma, abuse, attachment and substance abuse. She is an expert witness at the State and Federal level for her expertise in areas surrounding trauma.

Megan is the author of EMDR Workbook for Trauma and PTSD: Skills to Manage Triggers, Move Beyond Traumatic Memories, and Take Back Your Life set to be released by New Harbinger Publications in 2023. She earned her master's in Clinical Social Work from Northwest Nazarene University in 2011 and is an active member of the International Society of Addiction Medicine and the National Association of Social Workers. She currently owns and operates her own Counseling, Consulting and Training Business and is passionate about genuinely changing the landscape of trauma treatment through an authentic, hands-on perspective, that she has uniquely made her own.

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