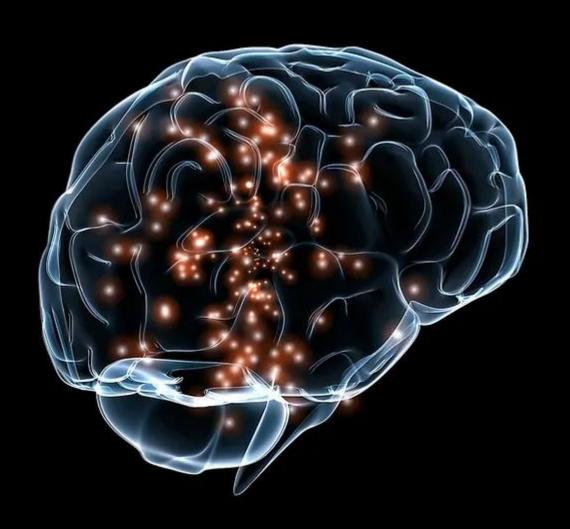
## How Trauma Affects Relationships

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#### Brains Job – Core Functions

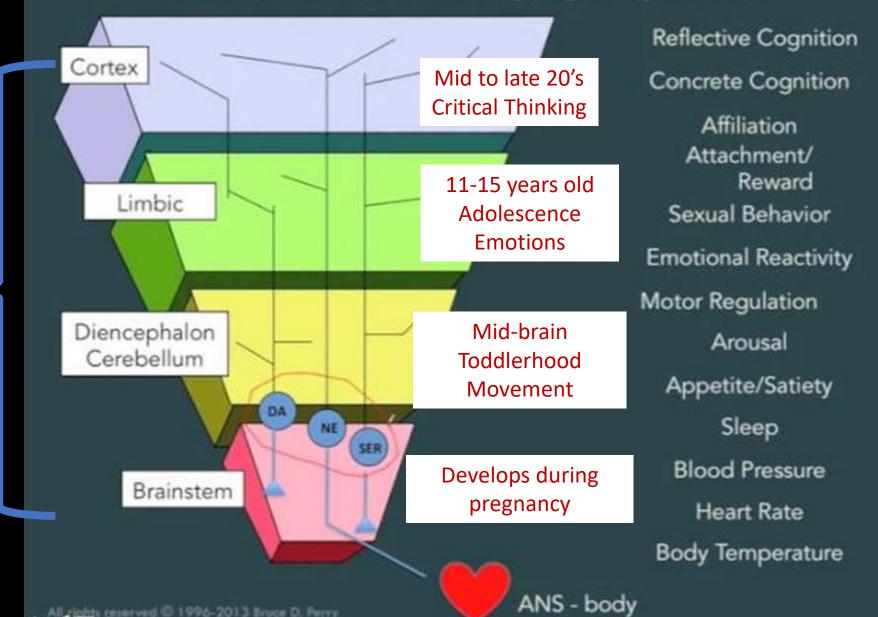


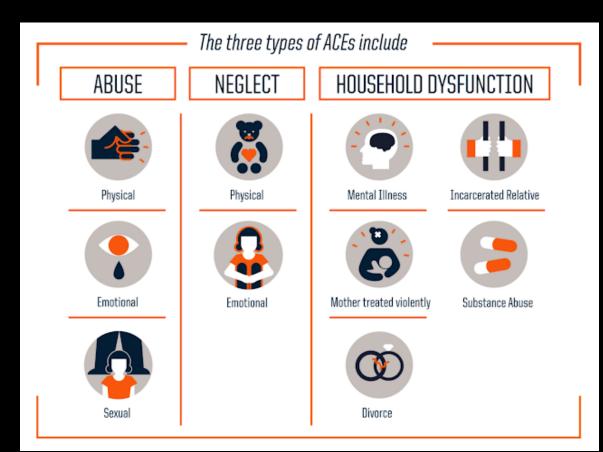
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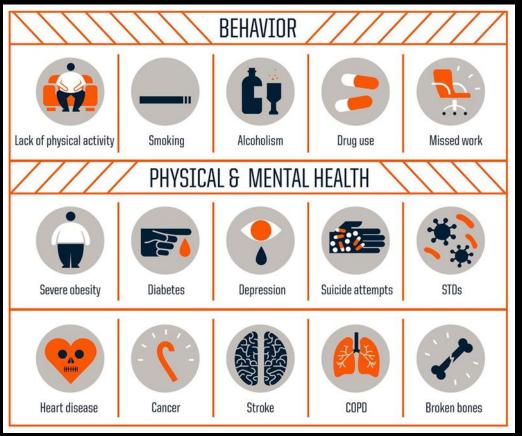
Procreate

Protect and Nurture Dependents

#### Efferent Distribution of Primary Regulatory Networks







What Disrupts a Caregivers Instinct to Protect and Nurture?

# Stress Response/ Arousal Continuum

Sense of Time	Extended Future	Days/Hours	Hours/Minutes (cannot associate action w/ consequence)	Minutes/ Seconds	Loss/sense of Time (Loss of consciousness)
Primary Secondary Brain Areas	Neocortex Subcortex	Subcortex Limbic	Limbic Midbrain (Teenage Brain)	Midbrain Brainstem (Toddler Brain)	Brainstem Autonomic
Cognition	Abstract	Concrete	Emotional	Reactive	Reflexive
Mental State (State of Arousal)	CALM/Relaxed (Solitude)	ALERT/Engaged (Learning zone)	ALARM (Irrational)	FEAR (Fight, Flight, Freeze)	TERROR/Panic (Control environment, not person)
Reward	Activity aligned with value/Beliefs	Add social relationships Relational	Adrenaline Rush/Intensity – salty, fatty, sweet, spicy snacks, drugs/alcohol, sex, other risky behaviors	Removal of Distress – get parallel, do not use a lot of words	Back up and be quiet, Rocking, Self-Stem
Adaptive Response					
Hyperarousal	Rest (male child)	Vigilance	Resistance	Defiance	Aggression
Dissociative	Rest (female child)	Avoidance	Compliance	Dissociation	Fainting

## The Importance of Relationships and Emotional Safety - Attachment

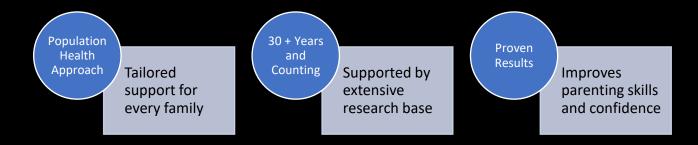
#### **Attachment Styles**

**Secure/Positive** – Needs met all the time with love = Trust

**Chaotic** – Needs met some of the time, by some people = Suspicious and will test relationships

Negative – Needs not met or neglect/abuse is present = No trust, withdrawn, possibly aggressive The Triple P – Positive Parenting Program® is a system of evidence-based education and support for parents and caregivers of children and adolescents.

## What is Triple P?



## What can Triple P do?

Prevent

 Prevent behavioral, emotional, and developmental problems in children.

Reduce

• Reduce the incidence of child maltreatment in the community.

Enhance

 Enhance the knowledge, skills, and confidence of parents.

Build

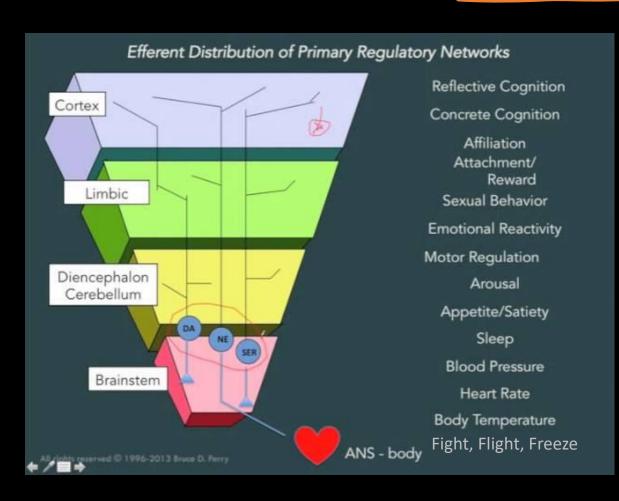
 Build upon parent strengths and abilities to be self sufficient and self-reflective.

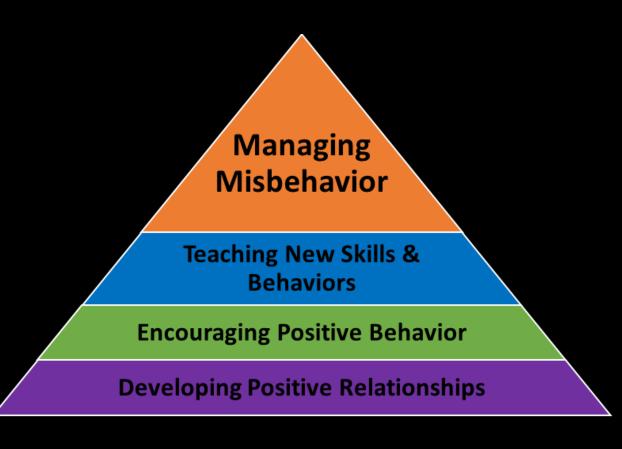
#### What is Triple P Online?

- ✓ An online version of the effective Triple P--Positive Parenting Program
- ✓ Versions for parents with younger kids or tweens/teens
- ✓ Available in English and Spanish
- ✓ Sequential modules include:
  - Video clips of families in action
  - Interactive exercises
  - Individual goal setting
  - Prompting for self-evaluation
- ✓ Electronic worksheets and resources
- ✓ Personalized electronic parent workbook
- Review and reminder strategies



### How Triple P relates to Emotional Safety





#### Resources

- The Boy Who Was Raised As A Dog by Bruce D. Perry, MD, PhD & Maia Szalavitz
- Born For Love by Maia Szalavitz & Bruce D. Perry, MD, PhD
- What Happened to You by Bruce Perry & Oprah Winfrey
- Child Trauma Academy childtrauma.org