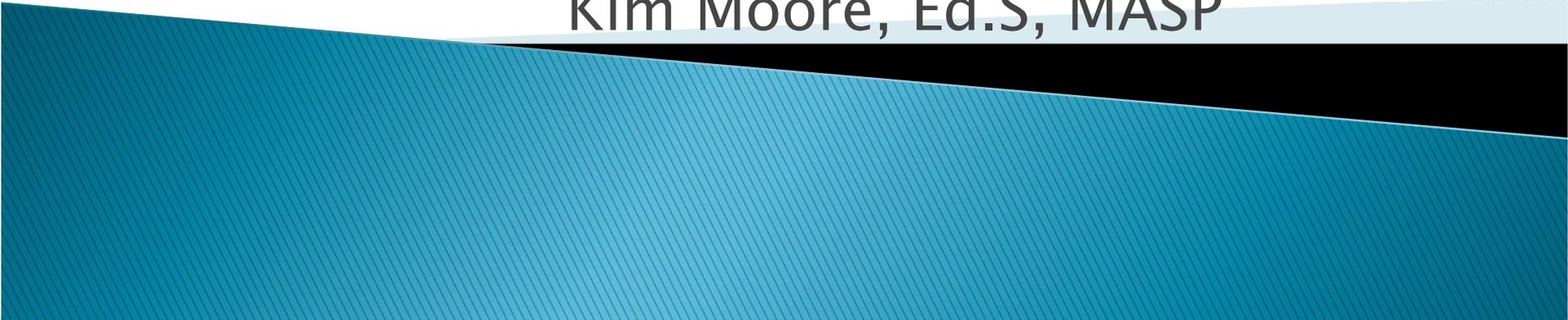


HEALTHY CHILDREN MAKE BETTER STUDENTS: TRAUMA AWARENESS

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WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?



**TELL ME WHAT HAPPENED
TO YOU...**



Overview

- ▶ Definition/description of Trauma-Informed
- ▶ Impact on schools
- ▶ Available resources and how to access and use them
- ▶ Questions



Definition/Description of Trauma-Informed

- ▶ What is trauma?
- ▶ Types of trauma that can impact students and staff



Definition/Description of Trauma-Informed

- ▶ Trauma Risk Factors
- ▶ Warning Signs of Trauma



Impact on Schools

- ▶ Trauma can impact school performance.
- ▶ Trauma can impair learning.
- ▶ Traumatized children may experience physical and emotional distress.
- ▶ Trauma can impact behavior.
- ▶ Trauma can/does impact staff.
- ▶ Trauma can impact brain development



Statistics on Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)

- ▶ ACE level was a powerful predictor for attendance, school behavior problems, and overall behavioral health problems
- ▶ As ACEs increase, the odds that attendance problems and behavioral health problems occur rise progressively with increasing ACEs
- ▶ With 4 or more ACEs, attendance problems are five times more likely
- ▶ For behavioral health problems, the odds increase by more than six times
- ▶ In students with four or more ACEs, academic failure is twice as likely and school behavior problems are 3 times as likely.

(Blodgett 2010)



How to Locate and Use Resources

- ▶ New Resources
- ▶ What resources are available in your school?
- ▶ How to effectively utilize your specialized instruction support personnel



QUESTIONS??

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