



## ASSUMPTIONS, PRINCIPLES, & VALUES

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## TRAUMA-INFORMED ORGANISATIONAL CULTURE

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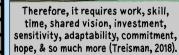


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## THE FOUR R'S

A program, organisation, or system that is trauma-informed **realises** the widespread impact of trauma, stress, & adversity, & understands potential paths for healing & recovery. **Recognises** the signs & symptoms of trauma in staff, clients, & all others involved in the system. Actively **resists** re-traumatisation (Committed to being trauma-reducing instead of trauma-inducing). **Responds** by fully & meaningfully integrating, embedding, & infusing knowledge about trauma into policies, procedures, language, culture, practices, & settings (SAMHSA, 2014 - Adapted by Dr Karen Treisman).

There also needs to be respect, an expectation, & an acknowledgment that the journey to become & sustain being trauma-informed & trauma-responsive is complex, slow, dynamic, evolving, messy, & multi-layered.





The principles & values are relevant to all people in all roles; & should also be reflected in all aspects of the organisation from the mission statement, to team meetings, to recruitment (See Weaving & Infusing Worksheet).













