

GUIDING PRINCIPLES & STRATEGIES



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Texas will create a **culture** of trauma-informed care for all individuals and organizations that touch the lives of children, youth, young adults, and families while they are involved in the child welfare system.



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A trauma-informed child welfare system requires **collaboration** within and across systems, organizations, and individuals.



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A trauma-informed child welfare system is culturally competent and **equitable**.



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A trauma-informed child welfare system includes and respects **youth and family voice** and cultivates resilience.



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A trauma-informed child welfare system recognizes and addresses **secondary trauma**.



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A trauma-informed child welfare system recognizes that ongoing, quality **training** is fundamental.



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A trauma-informed child welfare system has **information sharing** capabilities that are accessible, manageable, innovative, and user-friendly.



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A trauma-informed child welfare system is informed by **data** and committed to continuous quality improvement.



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A trauma-informed child welfare system is adequately **funded and sustainable**.