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Social Determinants of Health & Youth

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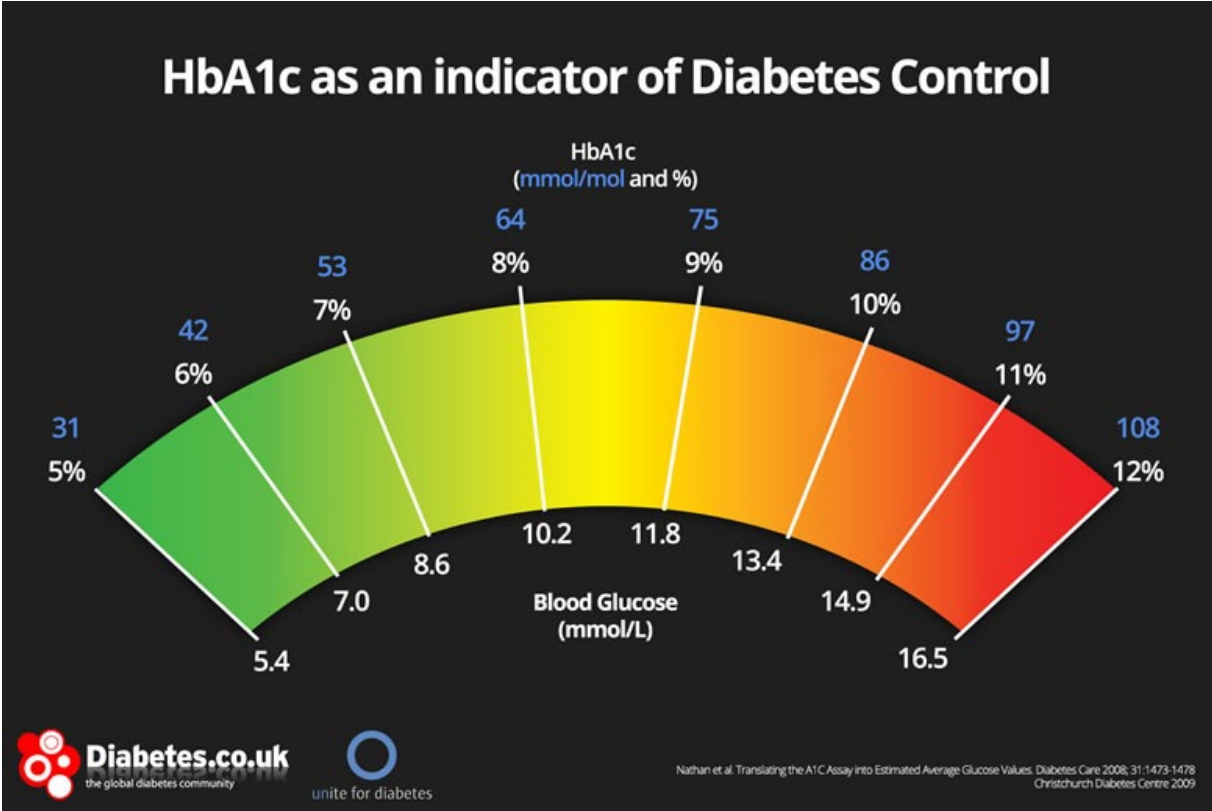




Sandy*, age 16

*composite case

Sandy









7 Positive Childhood Experiences;



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Before age 18:

1. Able to talk with my family about my feelings.
2. Felt that my family stood by me during difficult times.
3. Enjoyed participating in community traditions.
4. Felt a sense of belonging in high school.
5. Felt supported by friends.
6. Had at least two non-parent adults who took a genuine interest in me.
7. Felt safe and protected by an adult in my home.

<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapediatrics/fullarticle/2749336>

Common Elements of Social Pediatrics Programs

Horizontal Relationships



Knowledge Support



Bridging Trust



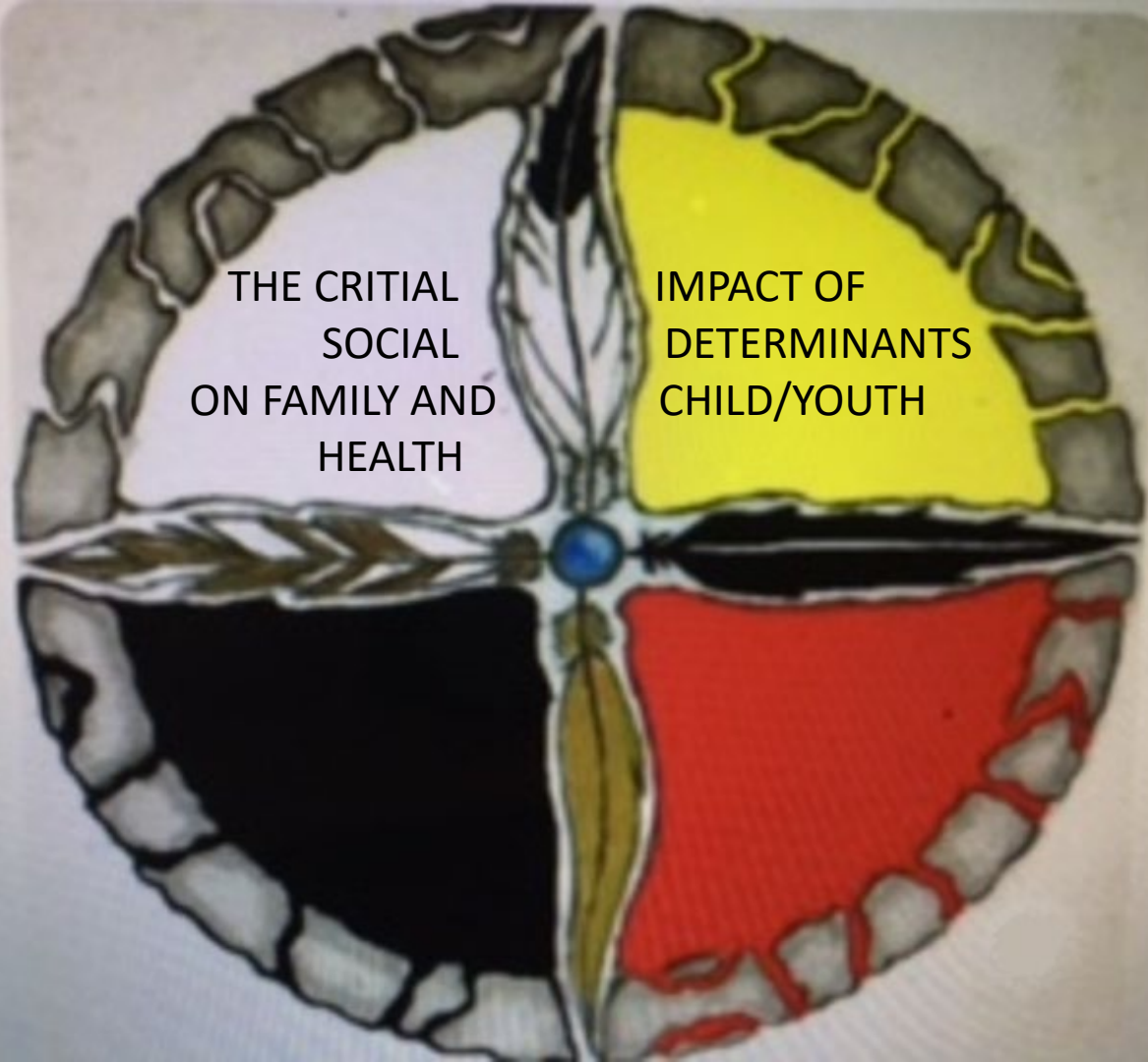
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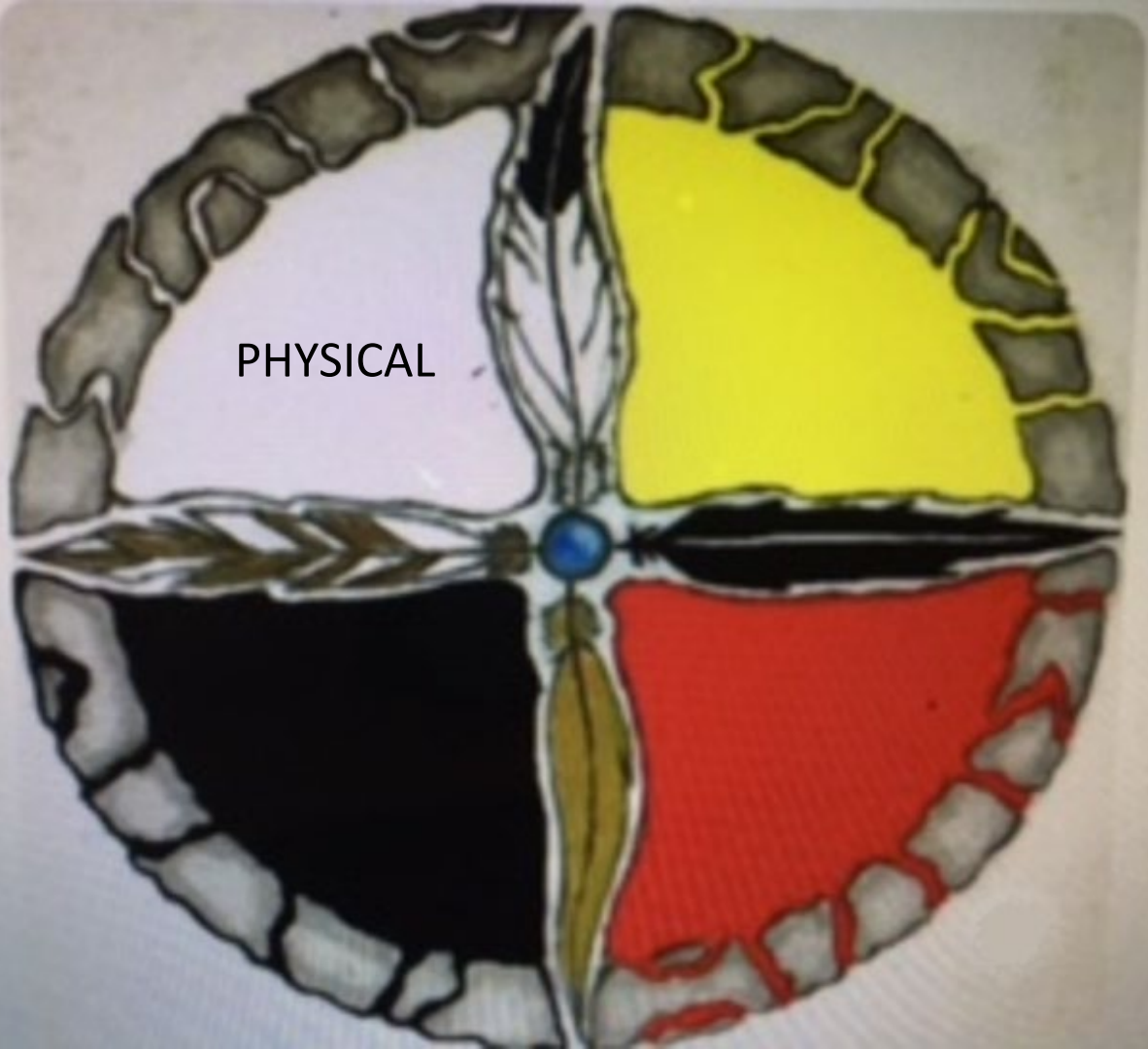
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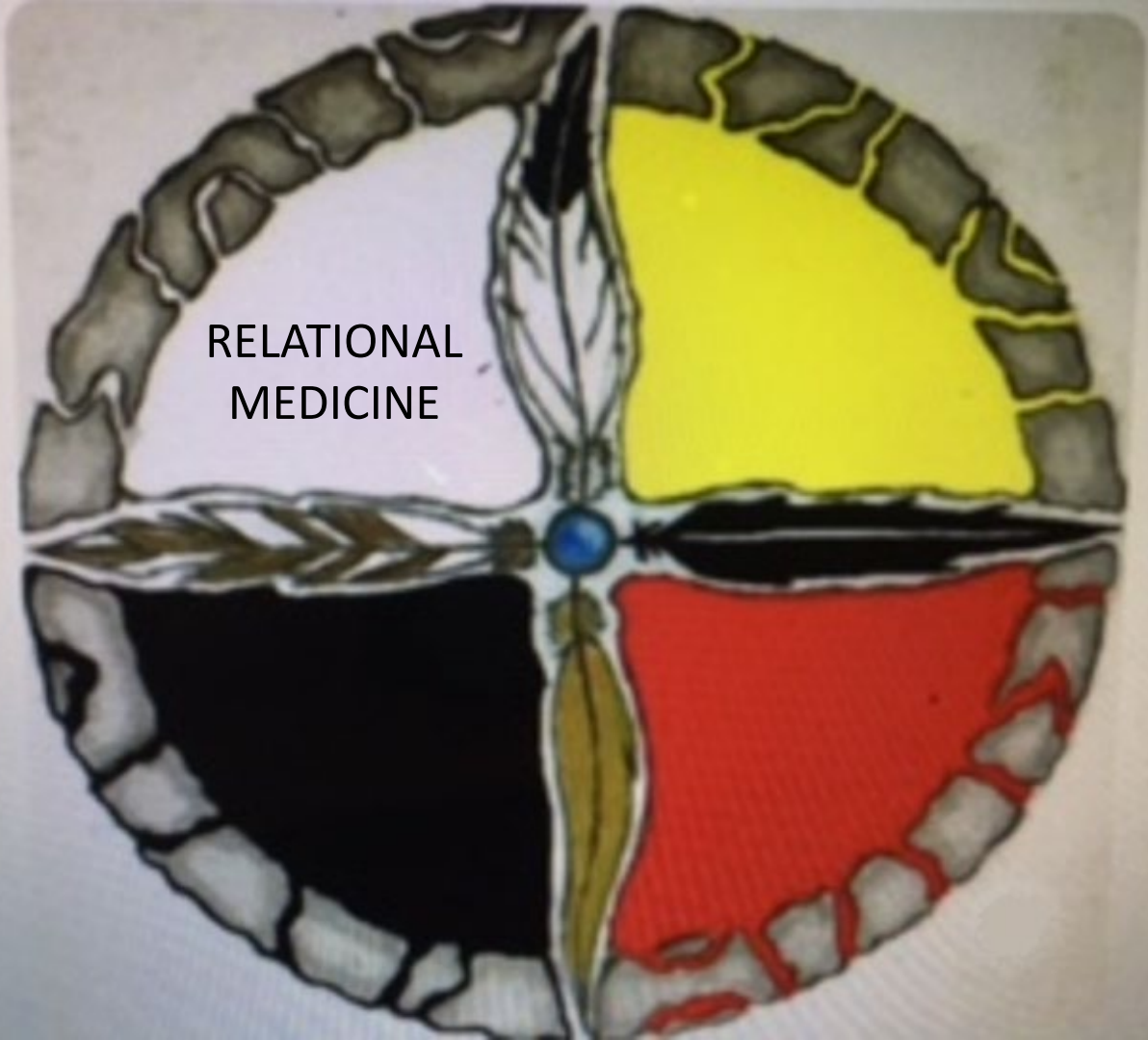
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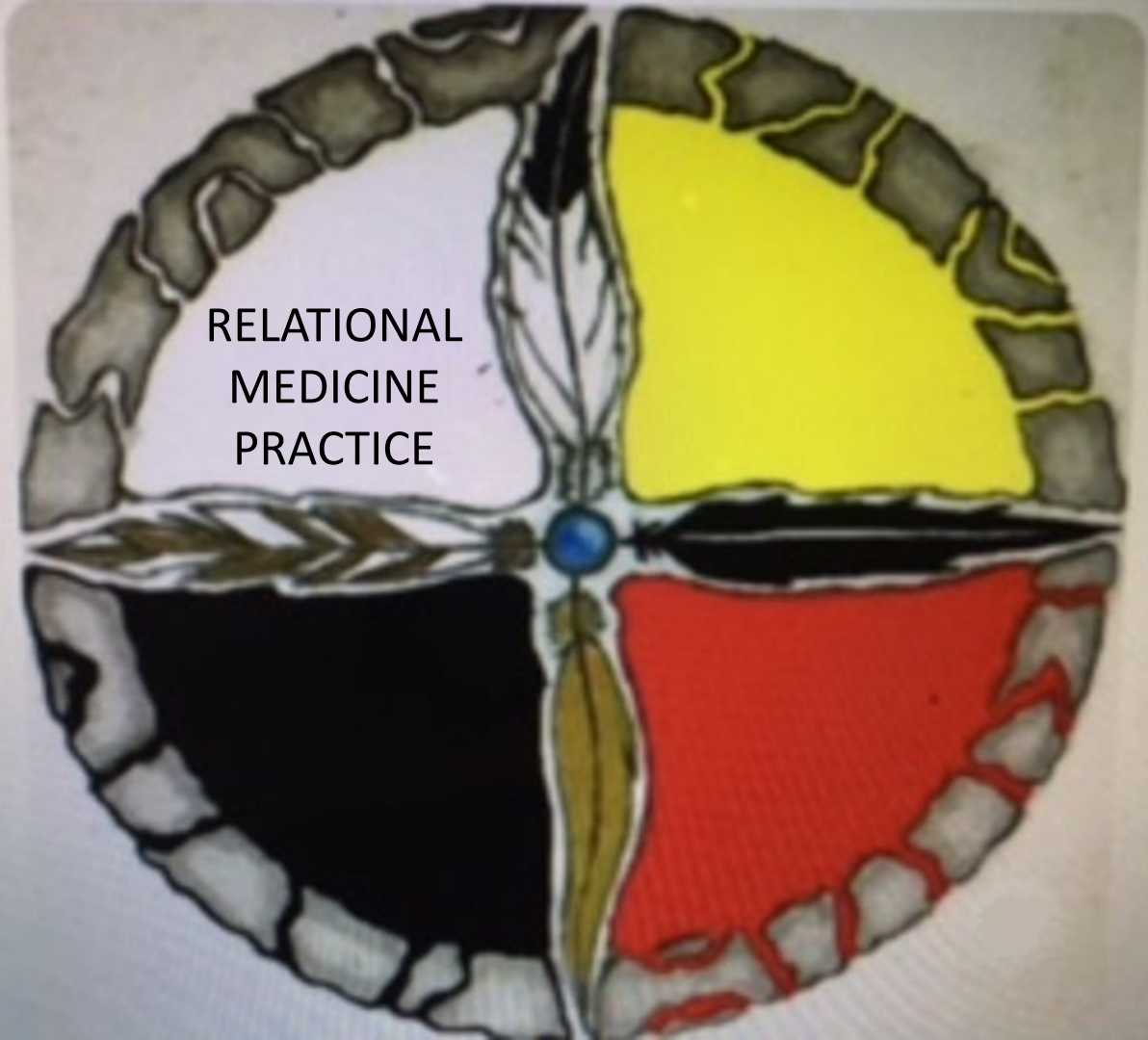
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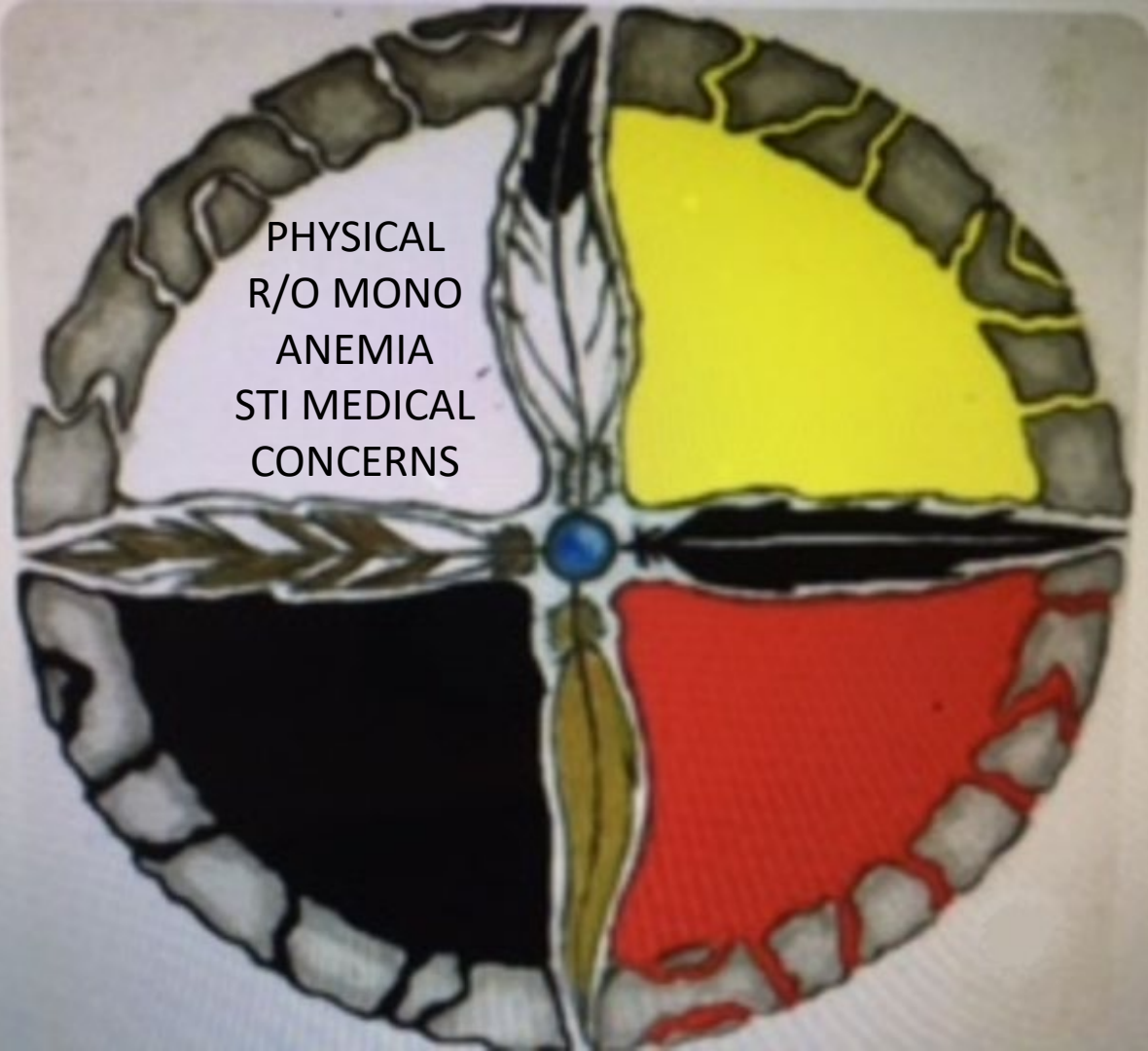
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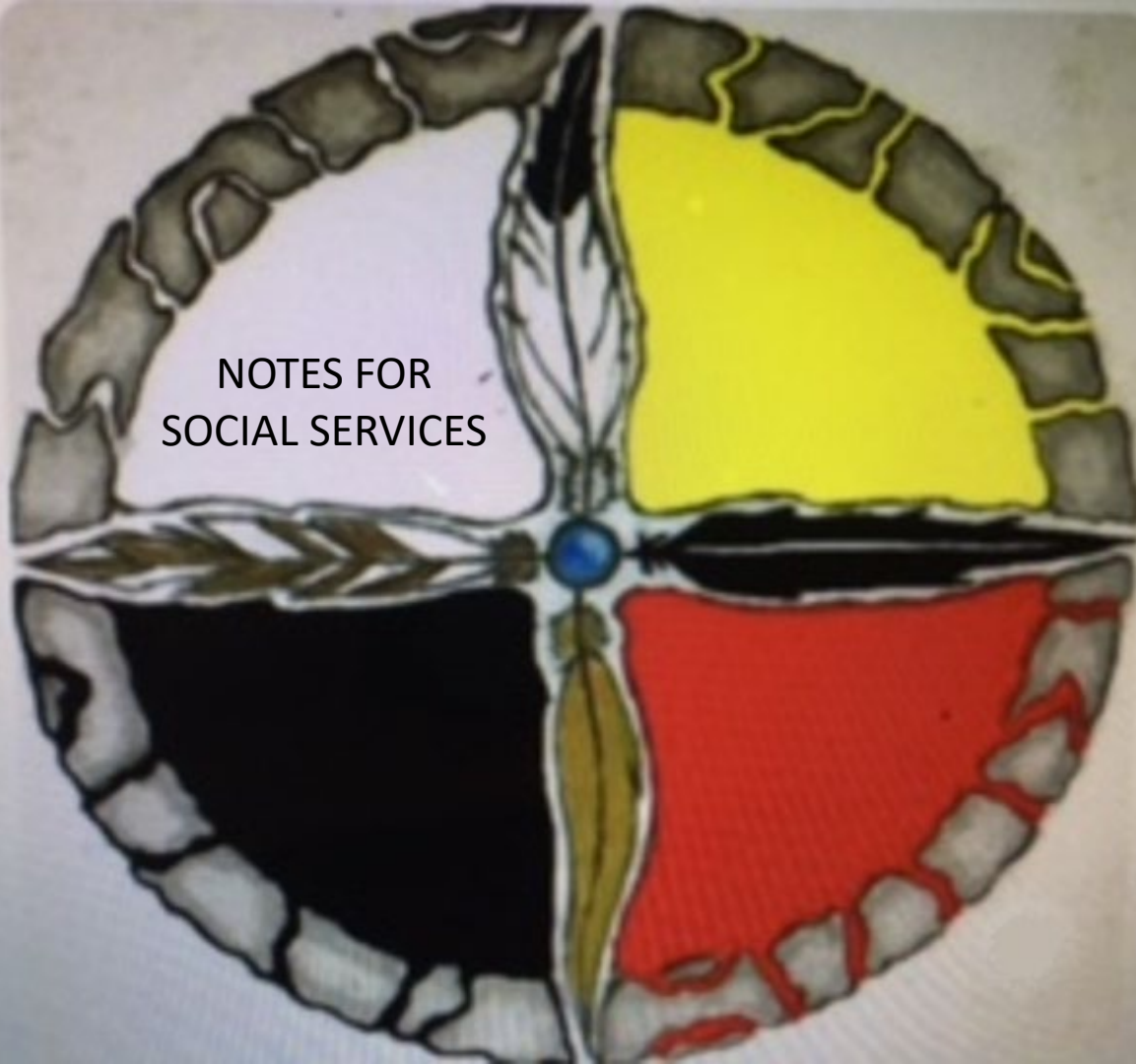
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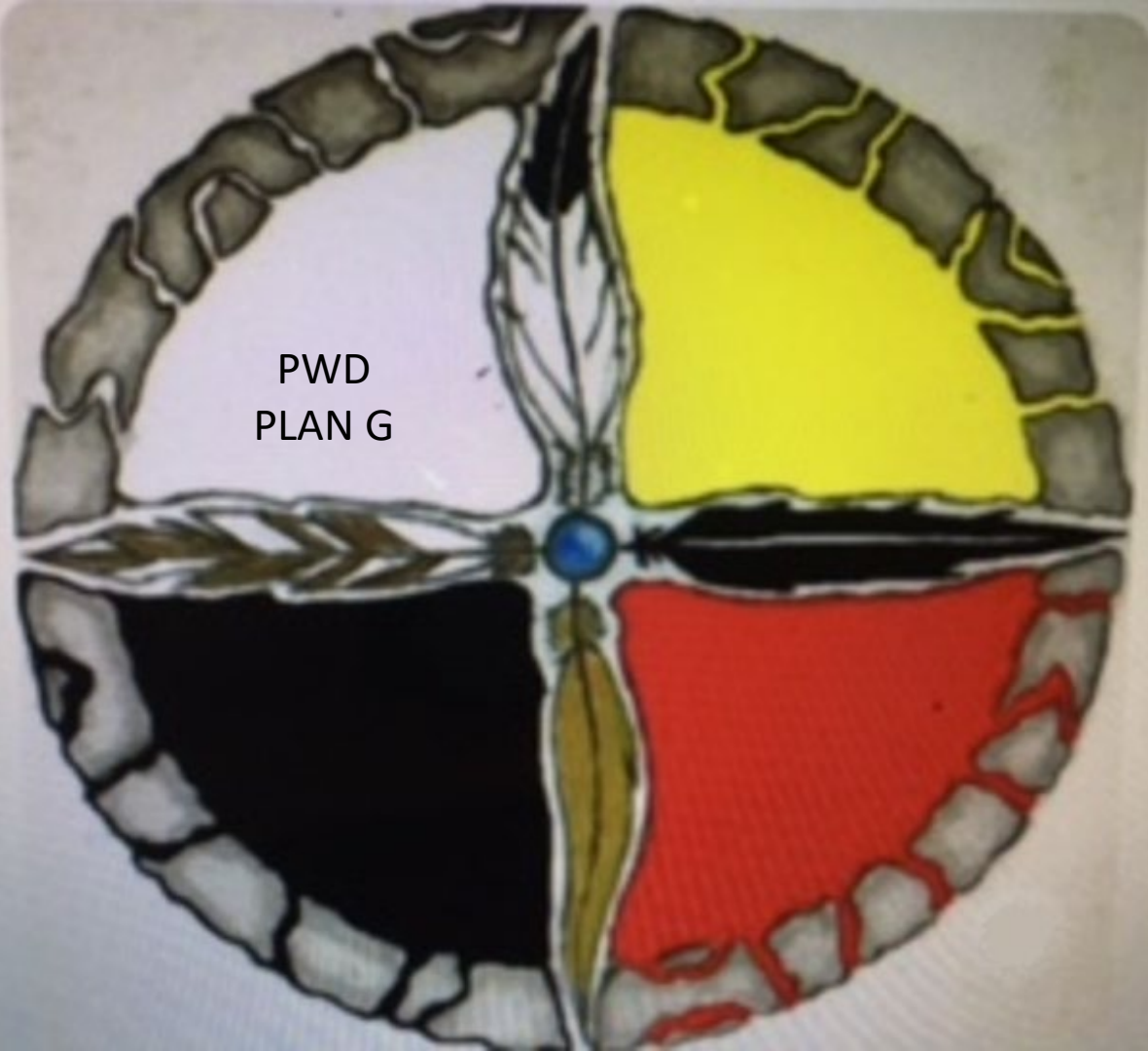
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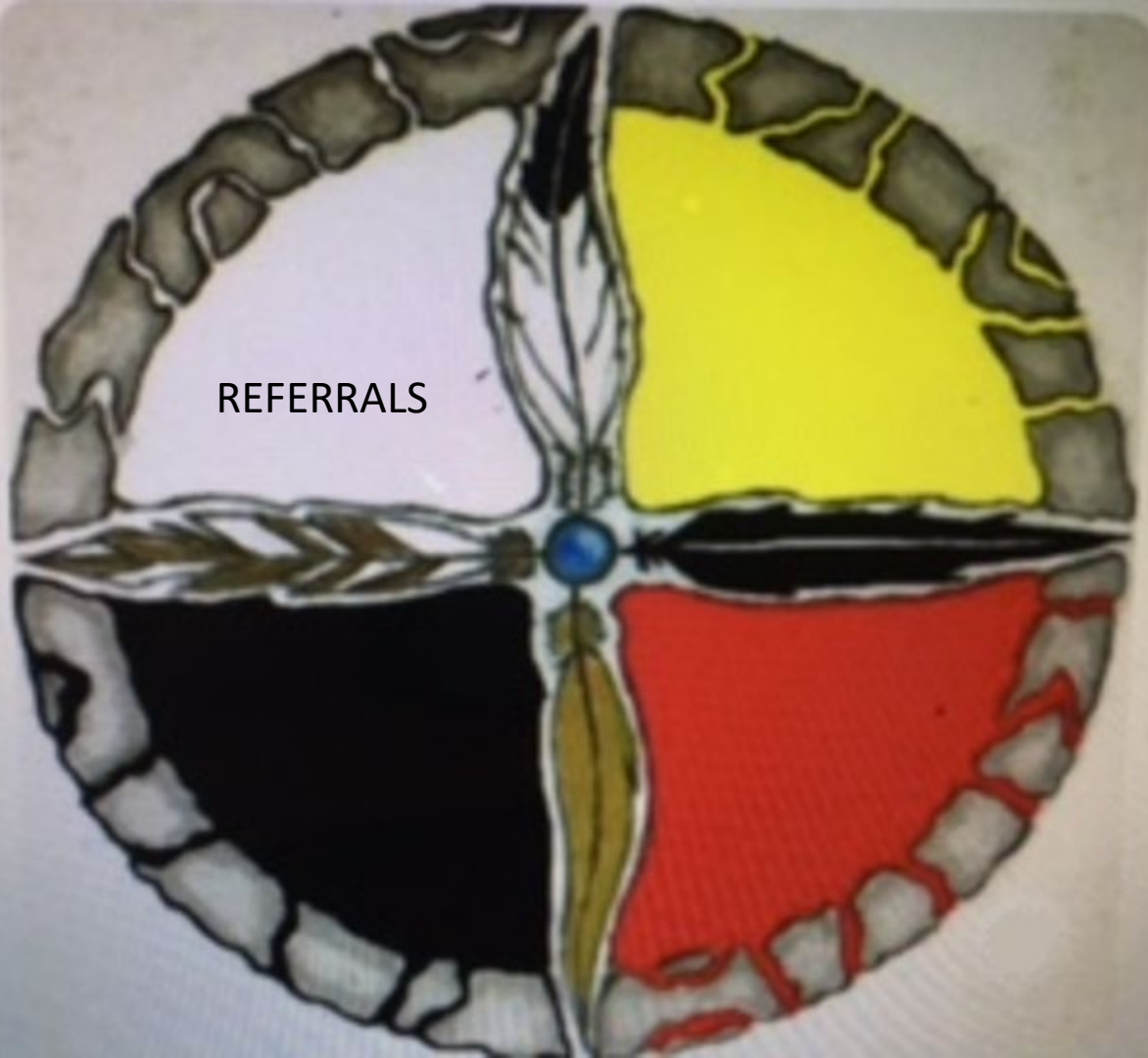
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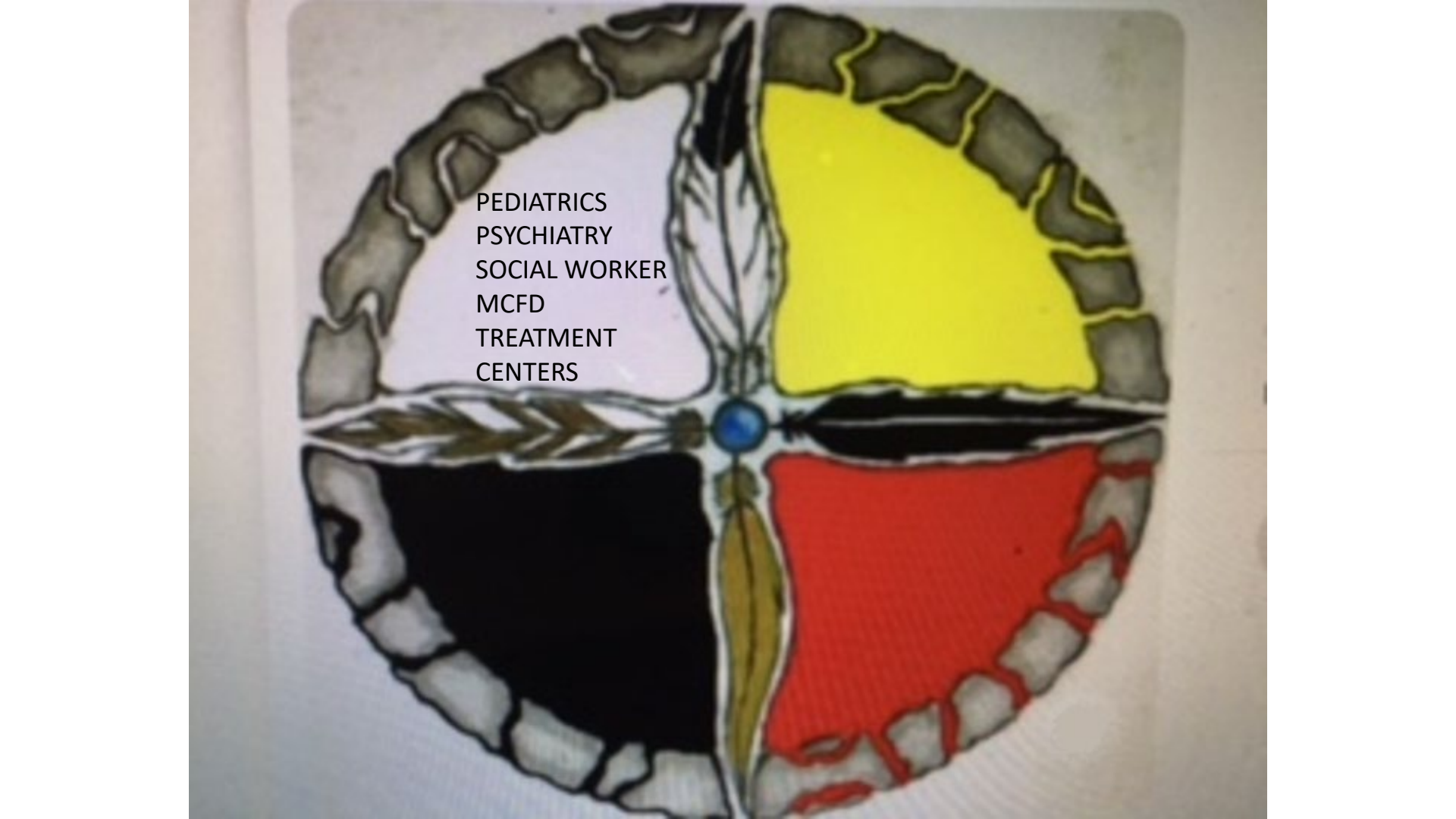


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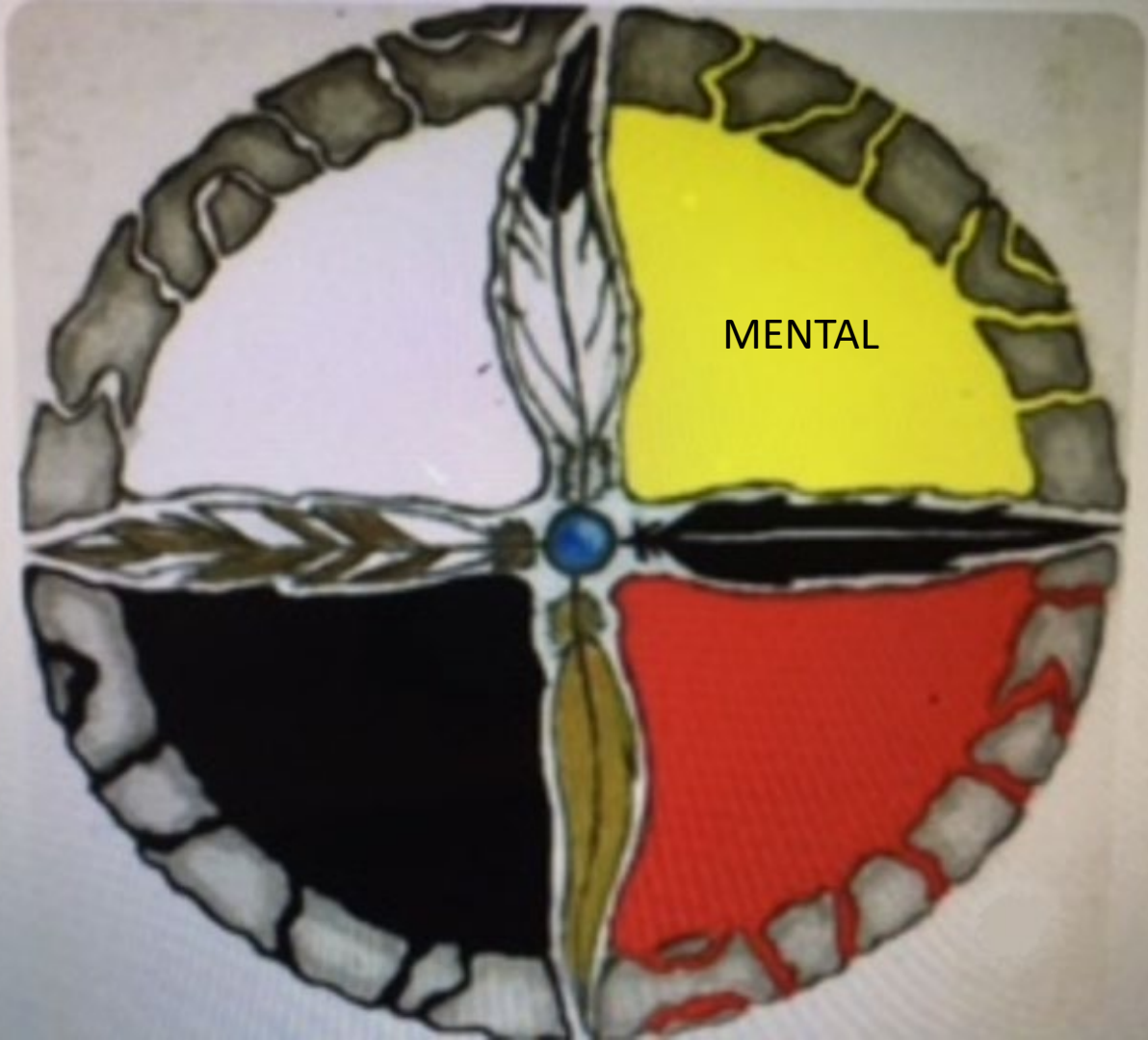
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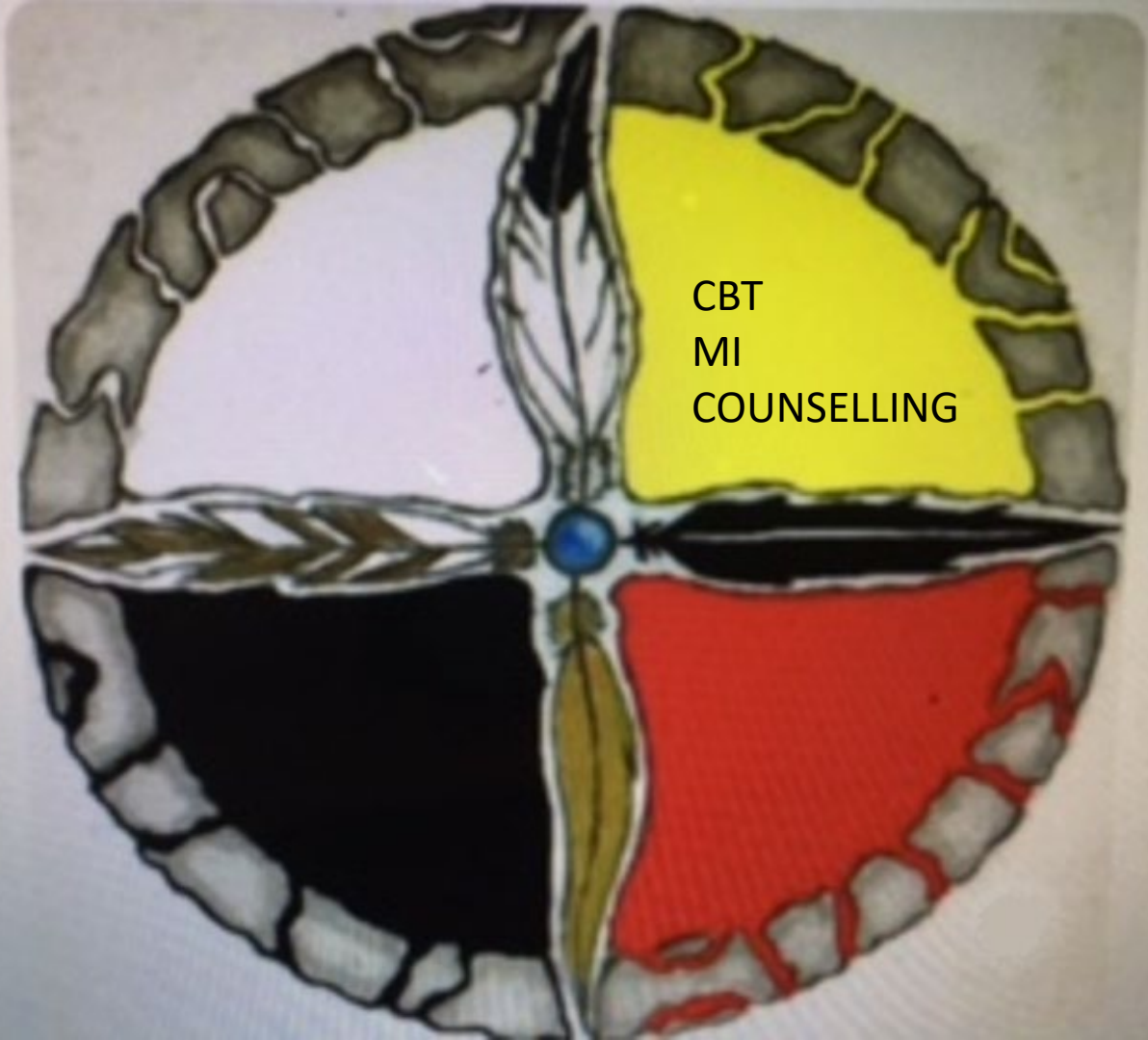


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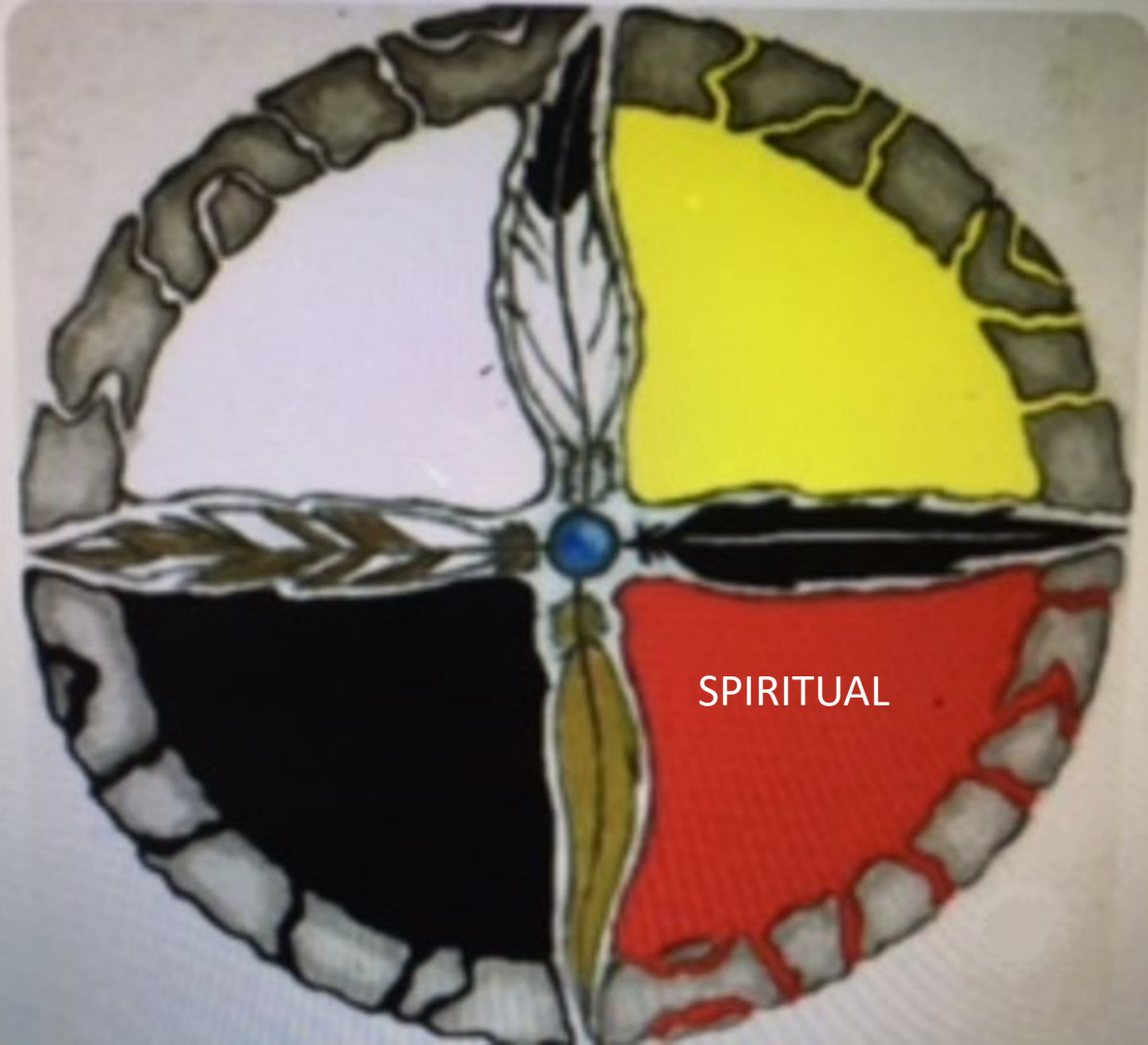




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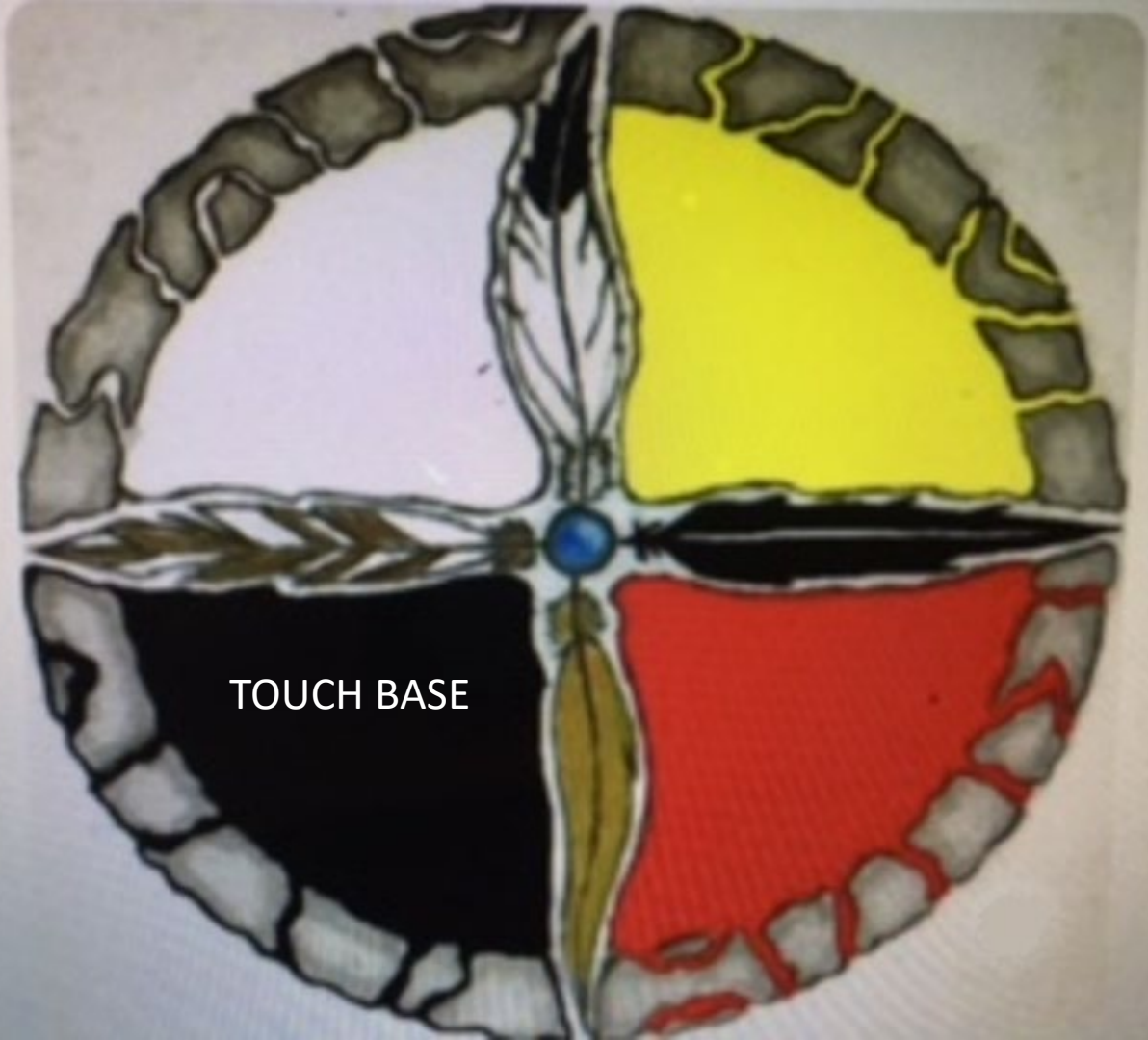
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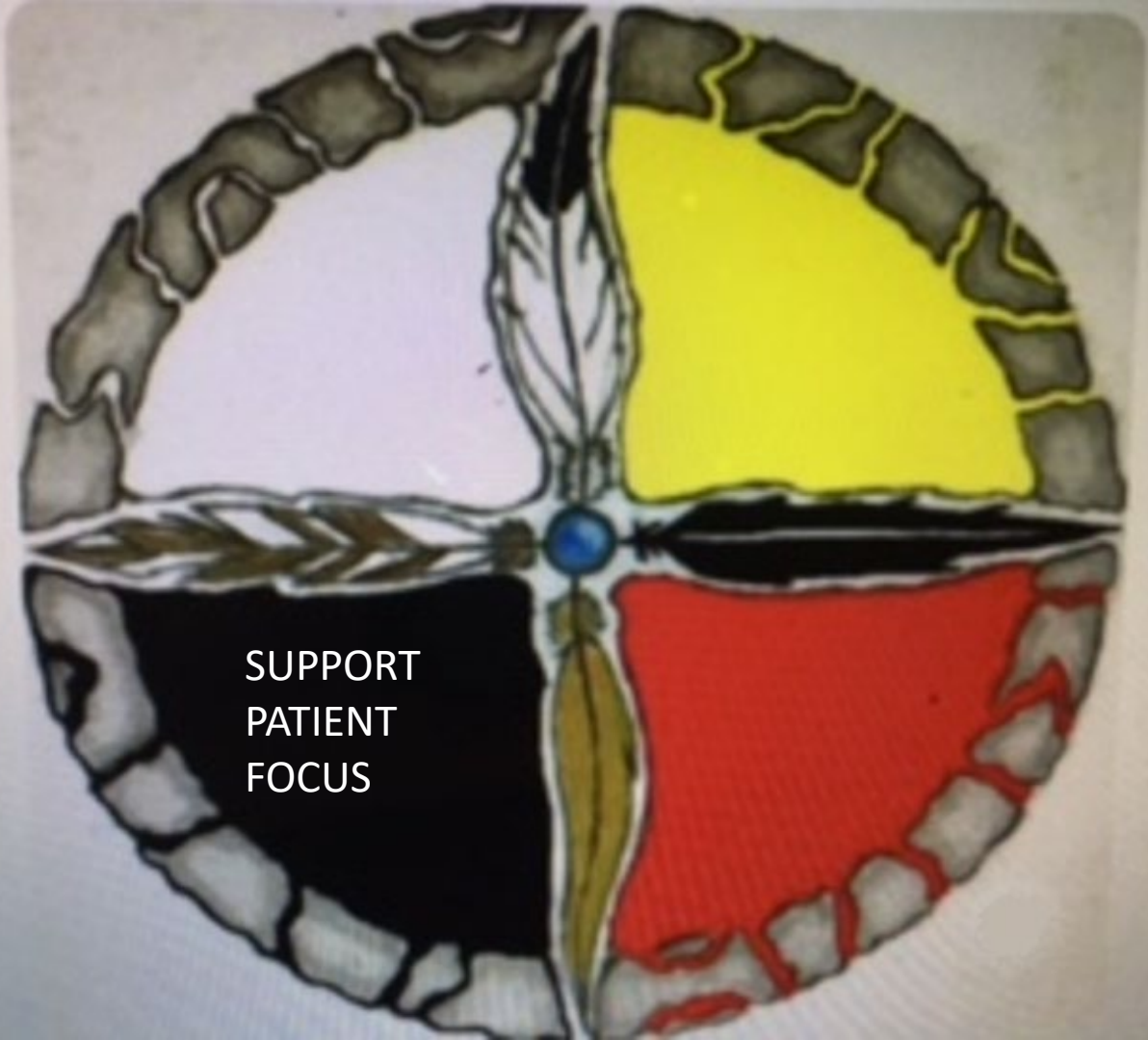
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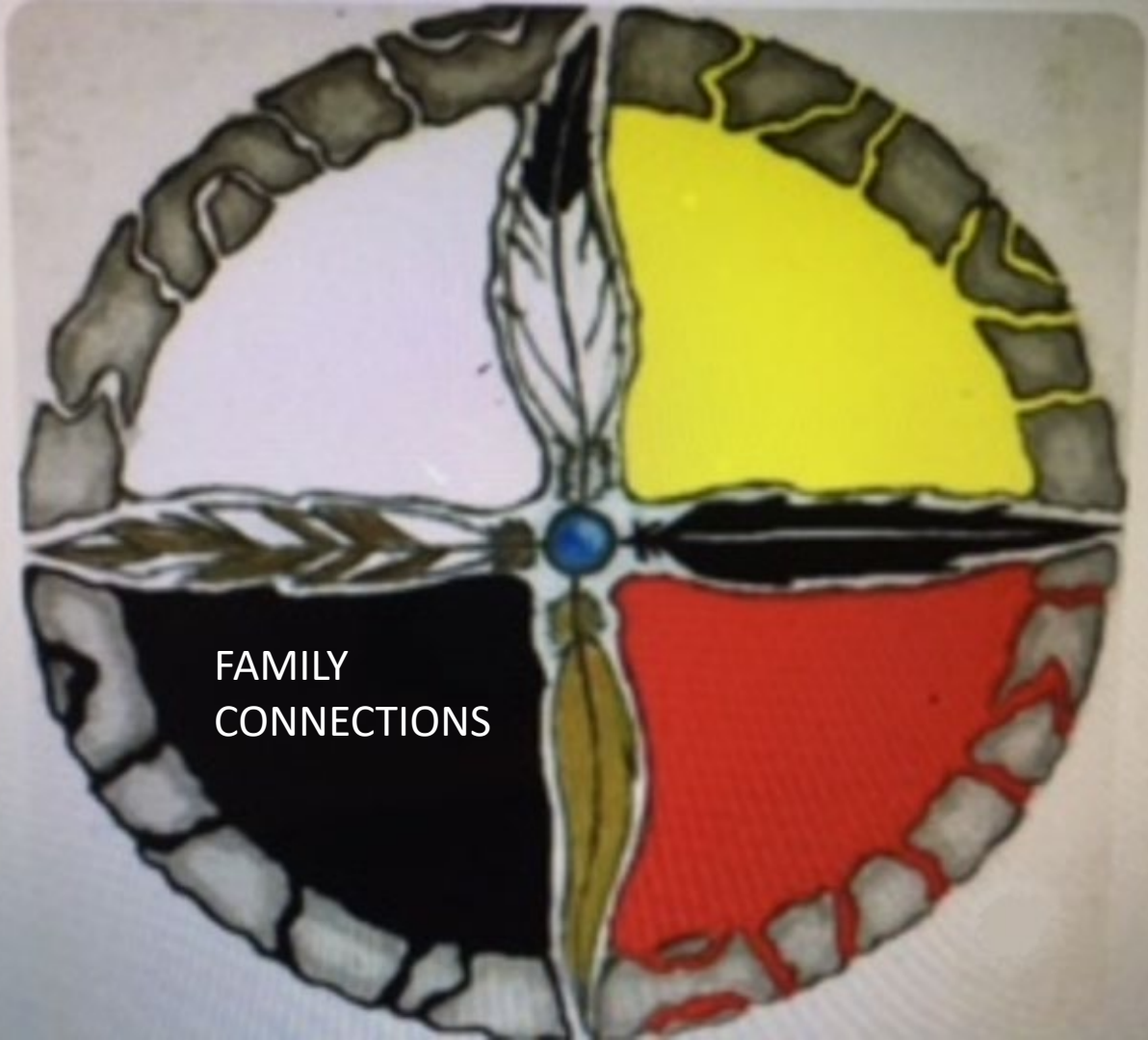
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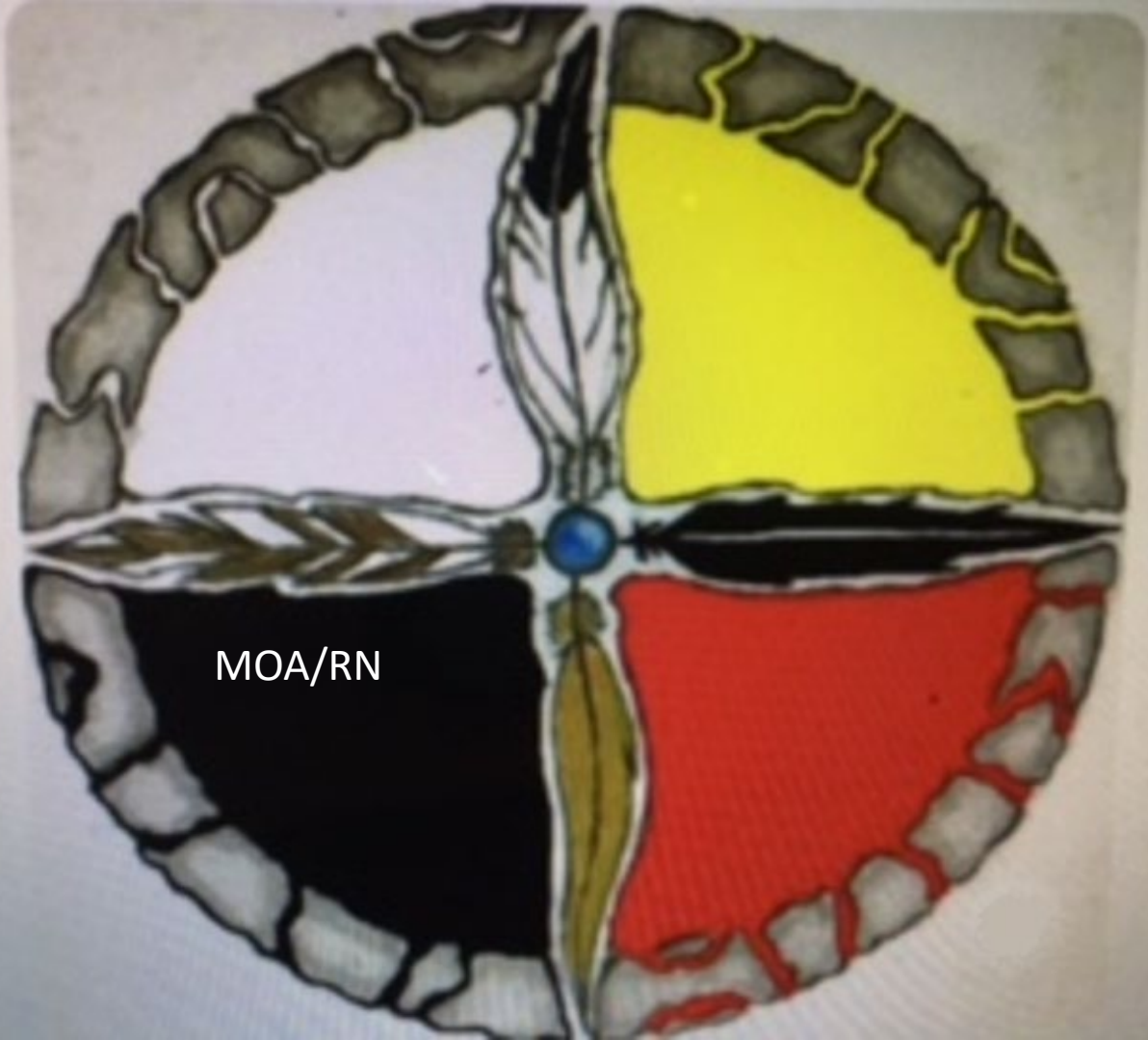
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THEY ARE NOT
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FAMILY
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Social Determinants of Health

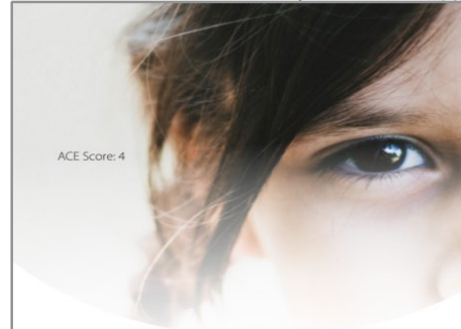


Territorial Acknowledgement & Blessing

We acknowledge, respect and honor the Ktunaxa, Syilx, Sinixt, and Secwepemc peoples, on whose unceded traditional territory we conduct our work.

SDH work in KB:

- [Embedsdh.ca](https://embedsdh.ca)
- [Poverty Intervention Tool](#)
- [ACEs](#) toolkits & in-clinic training for family practitioners & Primary Care Network staff



ACE Score: 4

Adverse Childhood Experiences

A Toolkit for Practitioners

Poverty is not always apparent: in British Columbia, 14% of the population lives in poverty.¹

1 Screen Everyone

"Do you ever have difficulty making ends meet at the end of the month?"

(Sensitivity 98%, specificity 40% for living below the poverty line)²

2 Poverty is a Risk Factor

Consider:

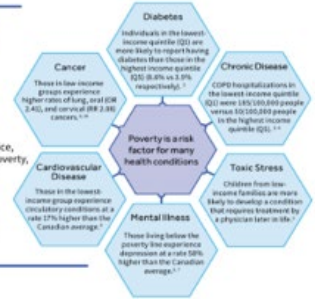
New immigrants, women, Indigenous peoples, and LGBTQ+ are among the highest risk groups.

Example 1:

If an otherwise healthy 35-year-old comes to your office, without risk factors for diabetes other than living in poverty, you consider ordering a screening test for diabetes.

Example 2:

If an otherwise low-risk patient who lives in poverty presents with chest pain, this elevates the pre-test of a cardiac source and helps determine where you are in ordering investigations.



"Have you filled out and sent in your tax forms?"

Learn more about your patient—their employment, living situation, social supports, and the benefits they are required to access many income security benefits: e.g., GST / HST credits, child benefits, working and property tax credits. Connect your patients to [Free Community Tax Clinics](#).

Official residency status can file returns.

Patients must have up-to-date tax filings and be registered with the Medical Services Plan and have a Care Card. Visit drugcoverage.ca for more options.

Educate



Ensure you and your team are aware of resources available to patients and their families. Start with [Canada Benefits](#) and 2.3.1.

Intervene & Connect



Intervene by connecting your patients and their families to benefits, resources, and services.

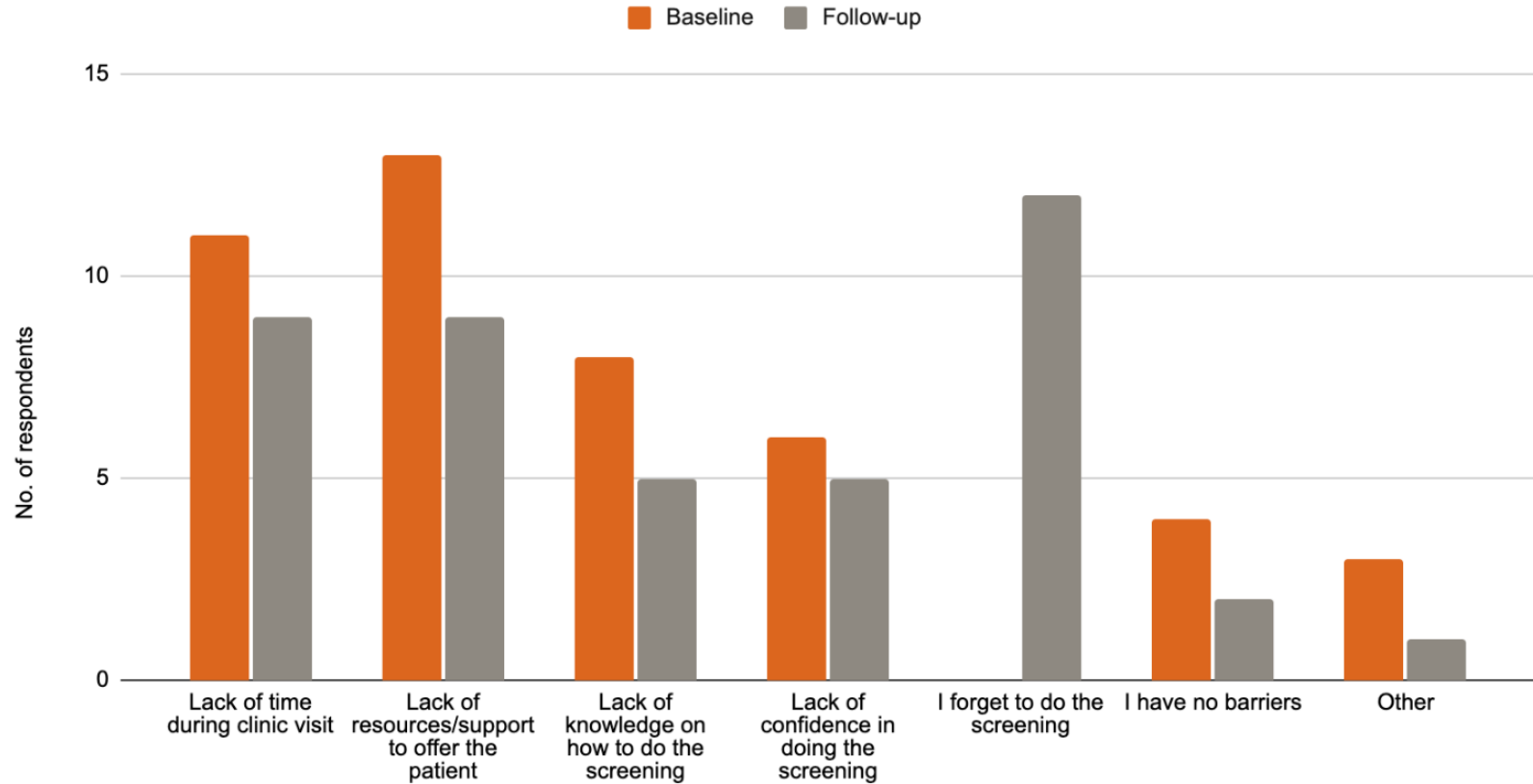
more interventions on [page 2](#)



The impacts & challenges

- Presentations to over 150 GPs, NPs, SPs, allied health, & PCN staff in KB
- Family practitioners' knowledge on how SDH impacts health and confidence to do this history taking improved
- Most family practitioners felt doing SDH history taking improved the relationship with their patient
- Barriers to SDH history taking remained
- Covid reduced momentum

Barriers to poverty/ACEs history taking (N=25)*



*Respondents could select as many barriers as applied



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System change in medicine takes forever. In getting people thinking about the ideas of poverty, of trauma, how can I be more validating, or people's experiences that might not be my experiences, even to know that [SDH] exists, to me it feels like that was the biggest goal...My colleagues have heard of it now, they have tools to use. I think we've made an impact on the culture in our area and we'll see this continue to develop and grow over time. [Physician]



Next for SDH in KB:

- Continue to liaise & listen to our physicians, PCN staff, and patients
- Further evaluation to determine sustainability of past SDH work
- Refresh & re-launch resources
- Continue to network and learn from other provincial groups



Thank You

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Dr. Paul Kershaw

“The Critical Impact of Social Determinants on Family and Child/Youth Health”

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Fire Prevention

No one would choose to jump from the window of their burning home – that’s why firefighters spend so much time emphasizing the need for fire prevention. We’re grateful that we can call on the fire department to put out the flames when we need them, but preventing fires is much less deadly, damaging and costly.



So it is with health care

Waiting to invest until people are ill is like showing up with hoses once the fire is already raging. When what we really want is to prevent sparks from getting out of hand.

This means clinics and hospitals should be the last stop, not the first stop, in our health system. The first stops for good health are found in our neighbourhoods, jobs, child cares and schools – something the pandemic made painfully clear.

Something many doctors know when they want (but can't) prescribe poverty reduction, child care and housing.

Health in All Policies (HiAP) Science

HiAP science that shows social supports contribute more to our wellbeing than medical care.

RESEARCH ■ HEALTH SERVICES

Effect of provincial spending on social services and health care on health outcomes in Canada: an observational longitudinal study

Daniel J. Dutton PhD, Pierre-Gerlier Forest PhD, Ronald D. Kneebone PhD, Jennifer D. Zwicker PhD

■ Cite as: *CMAJ* 2018; January 22;190:E66-71. doi: 10.1503/cmaj.170132

See related article at www.cmaj.ca/lookup/doi/10.1503/cmaj.171530

ABSTRACT

BACKGROUND: Escalating health care spending is a concern in Western countries, given the lack of evidence of a direct connection between spending and improvements in health. We aimed to determine the association between spending on health care and social programs and health outcomes in Canada.

METHODS: We used retrospective data from Canadian provincial expenditure reports, for the period 1981 to 2011, to model the effects of social and health

spending (as a ratio, social/health) on potentially avoidable mortality, infant mortality and life expectancy. We used linear regressions, accounting for provincial fixed effects and time, and controlling for confounding variables at the provincial level.

RESULTS: A 1-cent increase in social spending per dollar spent on health was associated with a 0.1% (95% confidence interval [CI] 0.04% to 0.16%) decrease in potentially avoidable mortality and a


0.01% (95% CI 0.01% to 0.02%) increase in life expectancy. The ratio had a statistically nonsignificant relationship with infant mortality ($p = 0.2$).

INTERPRETATION: Population-level health outcomes could benefit from a reallocation of government dollars from health to social spending, even if total government spending were left unchanged. This result is consistent with other findings from Canada and the United States.

Canadian Journal of Public Health (2020) 111:8–20
<https://doi.org/10.17269/s41997-019-00291-4>

QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH

A “health in all policies” review of Canadian public finance

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■ A HEALTHY, PRODUCTIVE CANADA:
A DETERMINANT OF HEALTH APPROACH

The Standing Senate Committee on Social Affairs,
Science and Technology
Final Report of
Senate Subcommittee on Population Health

The Honourable Wilbert Joseph Keon, Chair
The Honourable Lucie Pépin, Deputy Chair

HiAP Science shows:

Most important health decision that a government can a make...

Grow social spending more urgently than medical spending!

(i.e. apply HiAP to Finance allocations *between ministries*)

Quintessential example of: “An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.”

Provinces retreated on leadership re SDoH, allocating gains from econ growth to illness treatment.

Provincial Social & Education/Medical ratio: Then and Now (Pre-Pandemic)			
	1976'ish	2019	Change
AB	1.36	0.74	-0.61
BC	1.22	0.72	-0.50
ON	1.16	0.95	-0.20
QC	1.53	0.78	-0.74
SK	1.30	0.76	-0.53
MB	0.97	0.75	-0.22
NS	1.03	0.51	-0.52
NB	1.58	0.98	-0.60
PEI	N/A	0.73	
NFL	1.55	0.52	-1.02

Eg. since 1976 (in 2021 \$/year)

BC increased social: \$3.9 billion

BC increased education: \$6.4 billion

BC increased medical: \$17.9 billion

ON increased social: \$13 billion

ON increased education: \$30.4 billion

ON increased medical: \$49.2 billion

So it's no coincidence

Medical costs rise, while access doesn't

Many medical professionals are burning out even as doctors per capita rises.

All doctors:

1976: There were 143 doctors per 100,000 in Canada (BC: 161)

2020: There are 242 doctors per 100,000 in Canada (BC: 254)

Family physicians:

1976: 72 per 100,000 in Canada (BC: 87)

2020: 123 per 100,000 in Canada (BC: 134)

Lack of attention to HiAP →

Our governments are failing to invest equally urgently in wellbeing from the early years onward:

\$8,700* per BC resident < age 45 (up \$3,500 since 1976)

\$27,000* per person age 65+ (up \$6,700 since 1976)

*Excludes tax expenditures, which grow the age gap still further.
All figures adjust for inflation

Lack of attention to HiAP →

Of the more modest increase in spending on younger residents, medical care grows faster

\$8,700* per BC resident < age 45 (up \$3,500 since 1976)

(1/3 = medical care; up from 1/4 in 1976)

(because 1/2 of growth = medical care)

This trend for < age 45 does not align with HiAP science.

By contrast, age 65+: 1/4 of \$6,700 increase is medical \$, more in line with HiAP science.

Cultural Problem

When it comes to making wise choices about health, Canadians have a thorny problem. Our medical system is beloved, and is as much a part of Canadian identity as the maple leaf and hockey.

But we've left the system unfinished, and now we're paying the price. Costs are rising, but access isn't, leaving many patients feeling frustrated among long waitlists and doctors and nurses burned out.

Get Well Canada calls on governments to

reduce pressure on the medical care system and tackle the affordability crisis via single, winning strategy.

Canadians “Get Well” when we invest in affordable homes, livable incomes, \$10aday childcare and a healthy environment more urgently than medical care.

These social investments not only reduce cost of living pressures, they slow the flow of sickness that is demoralizing our health professionals and overcrowding our clinics and hospitals.

What we do

Better tracking: we monitor the social/medical spending ratio

Better public reporting: we encourage CIHI to report this ratio

Better balance in gov't budgets: we support governments to monitor, in order to grow, the social/medical spending ratio.

Culture change: broaden how Canadians understand health, because public opinion constrains/empowers policy action.

Join at www.getwellcanada.ca

Get Well Canada is an alliance of researchers, community leaders and medical professionals who want to fulfill the promise of Canada's commitment to health care.

So long as Canadians can't access safe homes, good incomes, quality child care, and a healthy environment, our medical care system will never be enough to prevent people from dying early.

Recall the wisdom of Tommy Douglas

“Let’s not forget that the ultimate goal of Medicare must be to keep people well rather than just patching them up when they get sick.”

It’s time to rally around this goal once again.

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Social determinants, ACEs,
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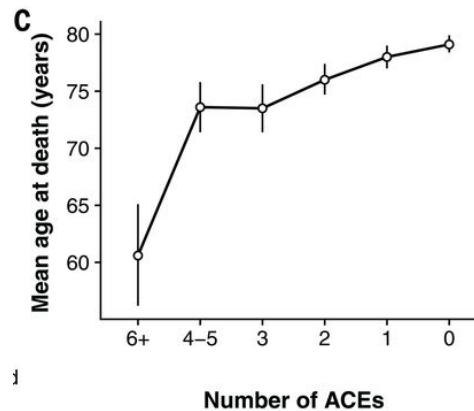
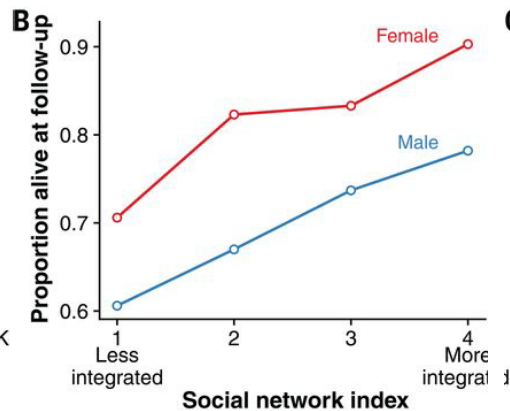
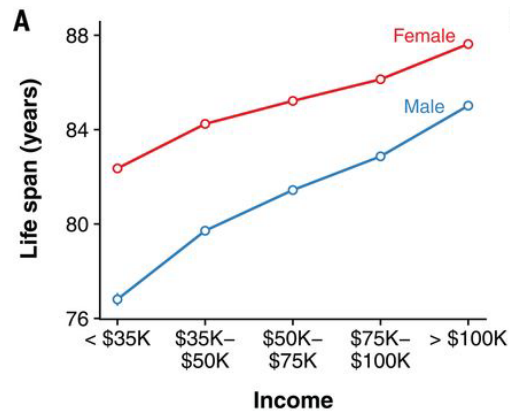
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Social Determinants, ACEs and Life Expectancy

SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

determine 75% of our overall health



Outcomes following exposure to ≥ 4 ACEs

The social ecology of childhood and early life adversity
Pediatr Res. 2021 Jan;89(2):353-367. doi: 10.1038/s41390-020-01264-x. Epub 2021 Jan 18. [The social ecology of childhood and early life adversity | Pediatric Research \(nature.com\)](#)

	Odds ratio (95% confidence intervals)
Physical inactivity	1.25 (1.03–1.52)
Overweight or obesity	1.39 (1.13–1.71)
Diabetes	1.52 (1.23–1.89)
Cardiovascular disease	2.07 (1.66–2.59)
Heavy alcohol use	2.20 (1.74–2.78)
Poor self-rated health	2.24 (1.97–2.54)
Cancer	2.31 (1.82–2.95)
Liver or digestive disease	2.76 (2.25–3.38)
Smoking	2.82 (2.38–3.34)
Respiratory disease	3.05 (2.47–3.77)
Multiple sexual partners	3.64 (3.02–4.40)
Anxiety	3.70 (2.62–5.22)
Early sexual initiation	3.72 (2.88–4.80)
Teenage pregnancy	4.20 (2.98–5.92)
Low life satisfaction	4.36 (3.72–5.10)
Depression	4.40 (3.54–5.46)
Illicit drug use	5.62 (4.46–7.07)
Problematic alcohol use	5.84 (3.99–8.56)
Sexually transmitted infections	5.92 (3.21–10.92)
Violence victimization	7.51 (5.60–10.08)
Violence perpetration	8.10 (5.87–11.18)
Problematic drug use	10.22 (7.62–13.71)
Suicide attempt	30.14 (14.73–61.67)

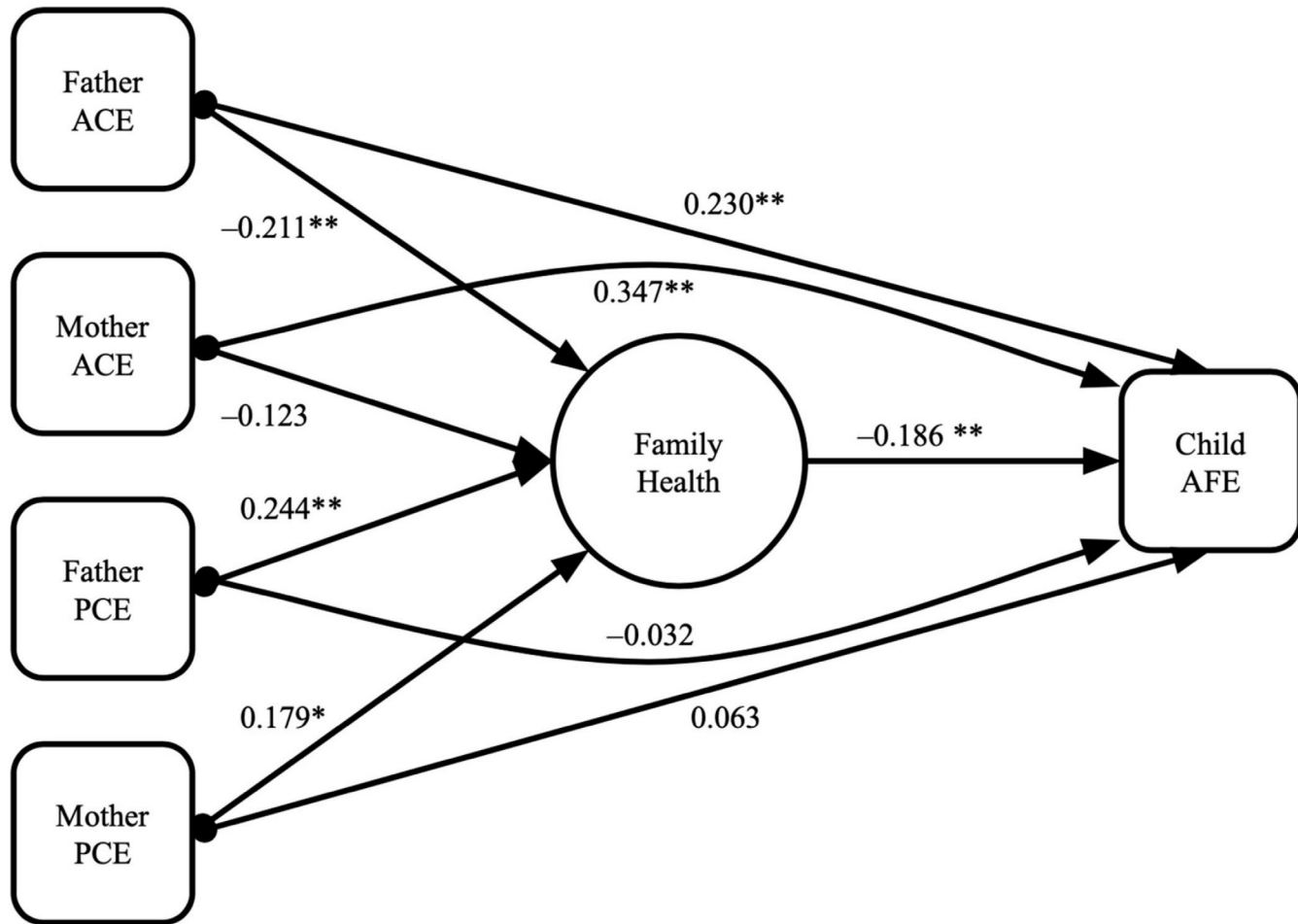
Pooled odds ratios (ORs) from random-effects meta-analyses.

Modified with permission from Hughes et al.⁴¹



Addressing Adverse Childhood Experiences: It's All about Relationships. *Societies* **2018**, *8*, 115. <https://doi.org/10.3390/soc8040115>

Adverse and Positive childhood experiences transmit across generations

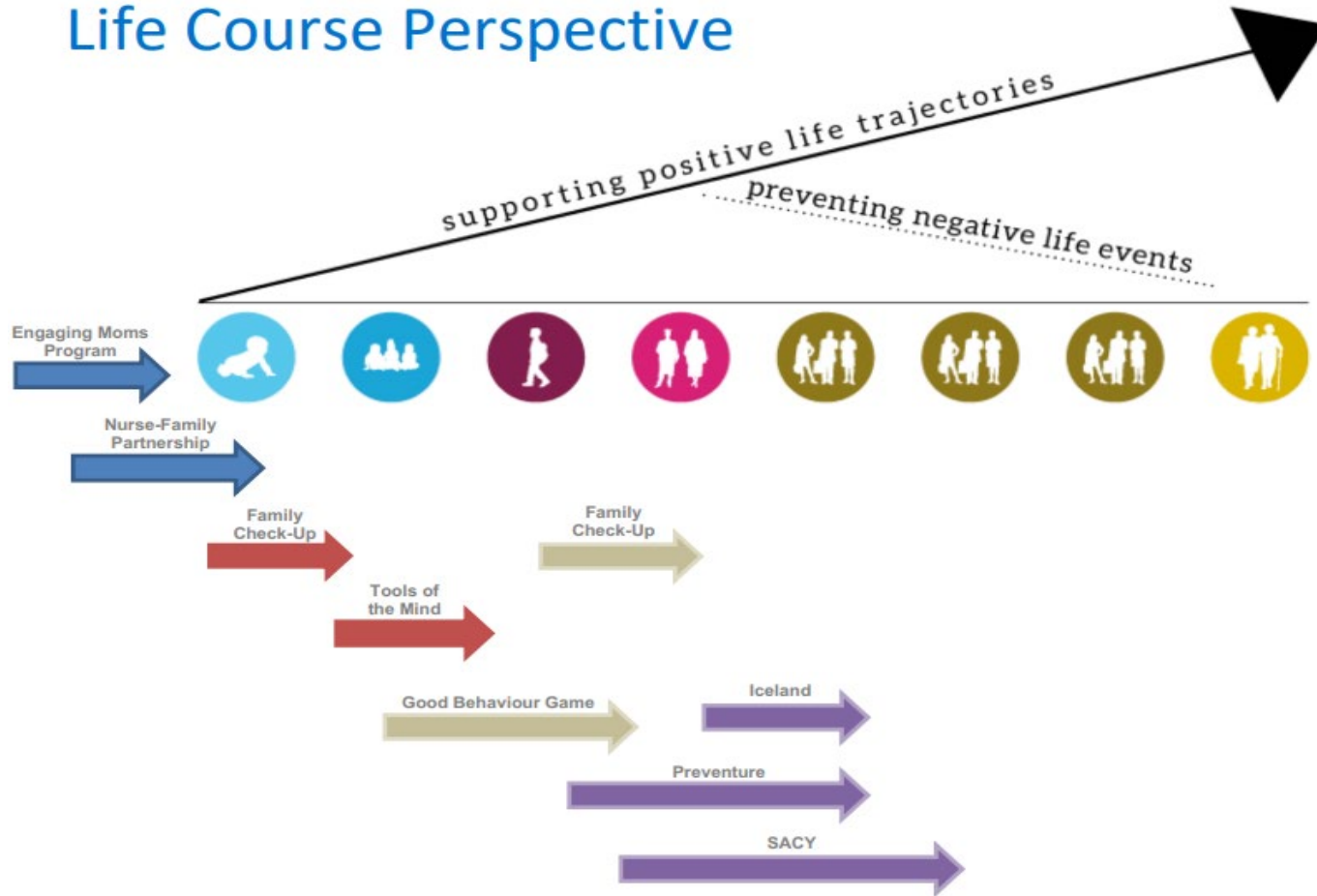


Safe, stable, and nurturing relationships buffer adversity

Public Health Level	Types of Prevention	Approaches to Toxic Stress	Examples	Approaches to Relational Health
3	Tertiary	<u>Indicated treatments</u> for toxic stress related diagnoses (e.g, anxiety depression, PTSD)	ABC PCIT CPP TF-CBT	<u>Repair strained</u> or compromised relationships
2	Secondary	<u>Targeted interventions</u> for those at higher risk for toxic stress responses	Parent/Child ACEs SDoH BStC	<u>Identify and address</u> potential barriers to SSNRs
1	Primary	<u>Universal preventions</u> for all	Positive parenting ROR Play Consistent messaging	<u>Promote SSNRs</u> by building 2-generational skills

From: [Preventing Childhood Toxic Stress: Partnering With Families and Communities to Promote Relational Health](#)

Life Course Perspective



SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

determine 75% of our overall health



3 Realms of ACEs

Adverse childhood and community experiences (ACEs) can occur in the household, the community, or in the environment and cause toxic stress. Left unaddressed, toxic stress from ACEs harms children and families, organizations, systems and communities, and reduces the ability of individuals and entities to respond to stressful events with resiliency. Research has shown that there are many ways to reduce and heal from toxic stress and build healthy, caring communities.



Summary and Some Recommendations

