## **Child Welfare Trauma Referral Tool**

This tool is a section from a larger inventory of questions. The full measure was designed to help child welfare workers make more trauma-informed decisions about the need for referrals to trauma-specific and general mental health services. It was designed to be completed by the child welfare worker through records review and key information (i.e. first parent, foster parent, child therapist, school-aged youth or adolescents if appropriate, and other significant individuals in the youth's life). This section is used to document history of exposure to a variety of types of trauma and indicate the age range over which the youth experienced such trauma.

**COMPLEX DEVELOPEMENT TRAUMA:** To understand complex development trauma and your child's history, mark all box that apply. This will give you a clear view of what has happened to your child. Their past trauma plays a key role in all development.

## A. Trauma/Loss Exposure History

Trauma Type (Definitions attached)					Age(s) Experienced (Check each box as appropriate – example sexual abuse from ages 6–9 would check 6, 7, 8, and 9)																			
	Yes	Suspected	No	Unknown	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
1. Sexual Abuse or Assault/Rape																								
2. Physical Abuse or Assault																								
<ol> <li>Emotional Abuse/Psychological Maltreatment</li> </ol>																								
4. Neglect																								
5. Serious Accident or Illness/Medical Procedure																								
6. Witness to Domestic Violence																								
7. Victim/Witness to Community Violence																								
8. Victim/Witness to School Violence																								
9. Natural or Manmade Disasters																								
10. Forced Displacement																								
11. War/Terrorism/Political Violence																								
12. Victim/Witness to Extreme Personal/ Interpersonal Violence																								
<ol> <li>Traumatic Grief/Separation (does not include placement in foster care)</li> </ol>																								
14. Systems-Induced Trauma																								

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