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Introduction

Methodology

Challenges

What next?



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It is the start of an ongoing process of acknowledging older people are sexually assaulted, developing prevention strategies and holding perpetrators accountable.

It's an uncomfortable truth, but every week at least 50 sexual assaults take place in aged care facilities across our nation.

A 2019 report by KPMG that surveyed more than 170 aged care service providers found that staff who were surveyed felt as though 58.1% of incidents that are categorised as rape or sexual assault resulted in “no impact” to the victims' wellbeing.

Safeguarding aged care residents against sexual assault while honouring their rights to autonomy is a complex social, legal and health task.

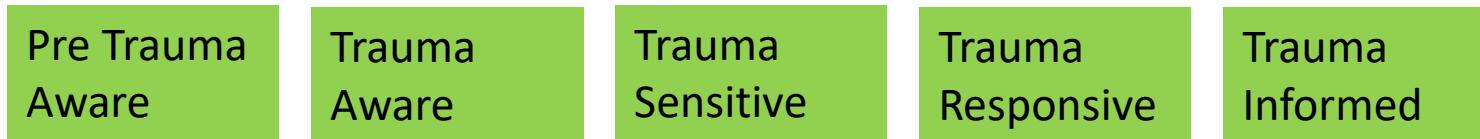


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“The journey from Trauma aware to Trauma-informed”

Paradigm shift in knowledge, perspective, attitudes and skills that continues to deepen and unfold over time.



Consider a “continuum” of implementation, where organisations move through stages. The continuum begins with becoming trauma aware and moves to trauma sensitive to responsive to being fully trauma informed.



Challenges

Organisational
systems/beliefs

Geographical
location

Language

Families

Generational change

Dementia

Professional
development

Protection vs
Autonomy



Thank you

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