#### **NCTSN** Traumatic Stress Network

### NCTSN RESPONSES TO DISASTERS

July 2017 to September 2021



## **EVENTS RESPONDED**



**NATURAL DISASTERS** HURRICANE MARIA **HURRICANE HARVEY** CALIFORNIA WILDFIRES TEXAS WINTER FREEZE **GULF COAST TORNADOES** 



**MASS VIOLENCE EVENTS** CAPITAL GAZETTE SHOOTING TREE OF LIFE SHOOTING LAS VEGAS SHOOTING KING SOOPERS SHOOTING PARKLAND SHOOTING



OTHER RESPONSES COVID-19 CHAMPLAIN TOWER COLLAPSE US CAPITOL ATTACK MURDER OF GEORGE FLOYD

## **AWARENESS**

RAPID RESPONSE POSTS ON SOCIAL MEDIA



On March 12, 2020, the post for the Parent & Caregiver Guide to Helping Families Cope with the Coronavirus Disease (2019) reached over 49,000 people on Facebook alone, and there was a 337.9% increase in downloads of this resource after the social media posting.

In July 2021, the NCTSN held a COVID-19 summit with over 1,700 people registered to learn from 90+ panelists.

**TOPICS:** 

SUBSTANCE USE AND SUICIDE

COVID'S IMPACT ON SCHOOL

MALTREATMENT AND INTERPERSONAL VIOLENCE

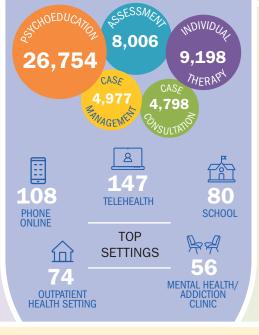
**GRIEF AND LOSS** 

DISPARITIES

# 180 170 171 160 162 150

TOP 5 SERVICES PROVIDED

#### TOP DIRECT SERVICES PROVIDED:



## **RESOURCES**

TOP 5 RESOURCES USED



- > PSYCHOLOGICAL FIRST AID (PFA)
- > AFTER A CRISIS: HELPING YOUNG CHILDREN HEAL
- > HELPING YOUNG CHILDREN WITH TRAUMATIC GRIEF: TIPS FOR CAREGIVERS
- > HELPING SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN WITH TRAUMATIC GRIEF: TIPS FOR CAREGIVERS
- PARENT/CAREGIVER GUIDE TO HELPING FAMILIES COPE WITH COVID-19



TRANSLATED 29 RESOURCES

LANGUAGES INCLUDED:

ALBANIAN ARABIC **CREOLE FINNISH** 

SPANISH SIMPLIFIED CHINESE **PORTUGUESE** MANDARIN

JAPANESE FILIPINO/WARAY

**PARTNERING** 

SITES PROVIDED CONSULTATION TO SERVICE SYSTEMS 173 TIMES AND LOCAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROVIDERS 144 TIMES

TOP 5 ORGANIZATIONS THE NCTSN RECEIVED REQUESTS FROM:

- > SCHOOL
- > HEALTH SYSTEM/HOSPITAL
- > COUNTY OR STATE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
- > OTHER LOCAL, COUNTY OR STATE GOVERNMENT ENTITIES
- > NCTSN CENTER OR AFFILIATE

69 SITES WERE INVOLVED IN AT LEAST ONE DISASTER RESPONSE; 21 INDIVIDUAL AFFILIATES AND 18 ORGANIZATIONAL AFFILIATES WERE INVOLVED IN AT LEAST ONE DISASTER RESPONSE

# **TRAINING**

COMPLETED 1,589 TRAININGS



TRAINED A TOTAL OF 108,082 PEOPLE

**68.893** NEW *PFA ONLINE* COMPLETERS 14.829 NEW SPR ONLINE COMPLETERS\*



IN THE TWO QUARTERS AFTER COVID WAS DECLARED A NATIONAL EMERGENCY, AVERAGE TRAINING CONTACTS ACROSS THE NETWORK INCREASED BY 178% RELATIVE TO THE PREVIOUS TWO QUARTERS. ""

### OTHER WAYS THE NCTSN PROVIDED SUPPORT

In response to the social isolation and stressors created by the COVID-19 pandemic, our center developed a Family Warm Line - a temporary statewide resource line that offered help and brief counseling to community members suffering from the effects of COVID, whether that was losing their jobs, working from home and schooling their children, grief of lost loved ones and more. The warm line operated until January 1, 2022 when families had more direct access to mental health services throughout our state.

After a recent tragedy in our community, much was done in the first three months to bring hope and trauma-informed care to the community. We provided trauma-focused information to schools and families such as grief, how to talk to a child after trauma, ways to support staff, and coping. A community resource center has been founded to provide relief and resources to those in the store when the shooting occurred, families, and anyone affected by this incident.

As a hospital-based site we were able to have our staff (who are trained in Psychological First Aid) provide support system wide to our health care workers working with COVID-19 positive patients. We provided workshops on acute stress, secondary traumatic stress, and resiliency building skills as well as ways to address grief and bereavement.