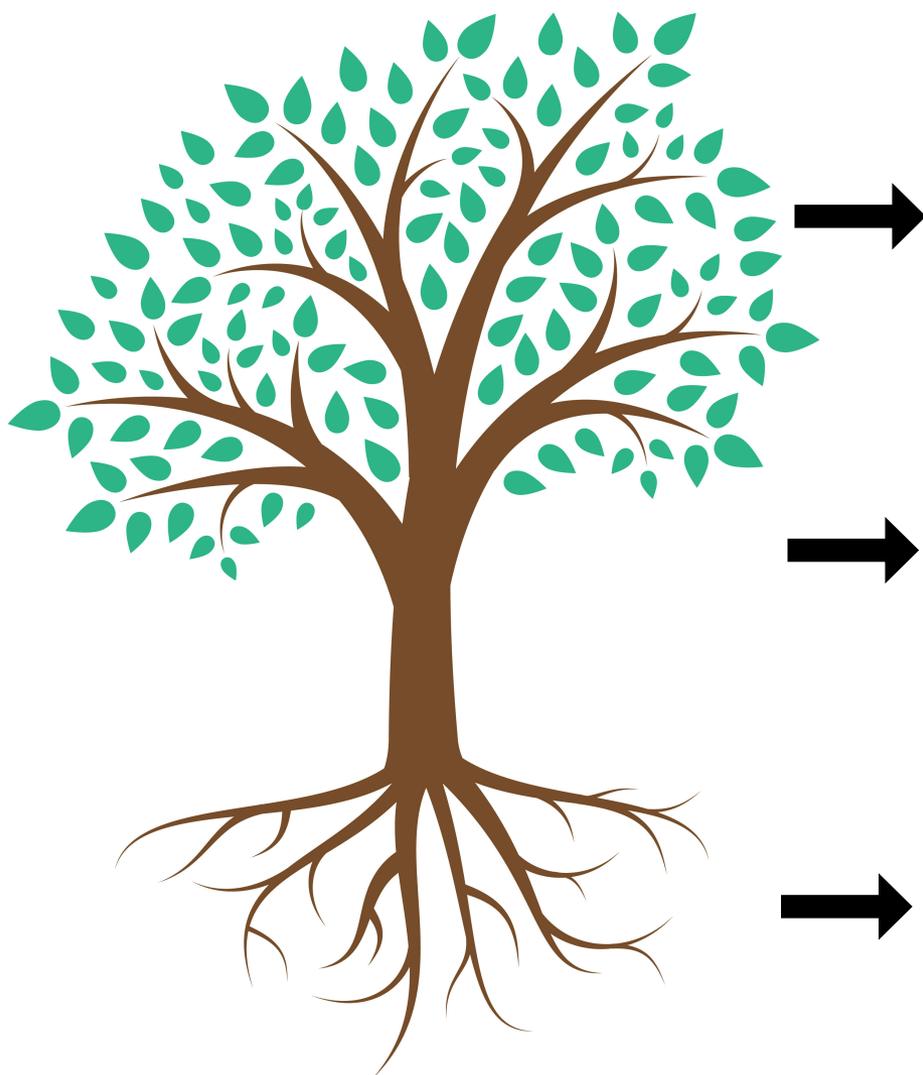


PREVENTING ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES (ACEs) IN NEW YORK STATE

A continuum of prevention supports to help children & families grow and thrive



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TERTIARY PREVENTION

Tertiary prevention activities represent a “canopy” of services that serve families whose children who have already experienced ACEs in order to minimize impact, prevent further harm and help families heal. These include: Child Advocacy Centers; foster care; kinship care; therapeutic residential care; and mental health interventions.

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SECONDARY PREVENTION

Secondary prevention activities represent the “trunk” of structured support for families that have one or more risk factors associated with ACEs (such as substance use or mental health conditions) to prevent and minimize challenges. These include: home visiting and Family Assessment Response.

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PRIMARY PREVENTION

The “roots” of prevention, these interventions are designed to prevent ACEs and minimize the risks of toxic stress before they occur. These include: child tax credits; Family Resource/Enrichment Centers (FRCs/FECs); Help Me Grow; Bright Futures; parenting education; and universal home visiting, child care, pre-K and afterschool programs.