

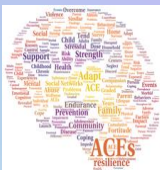


**Adverse Childhood Experiences (A.C.E)
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Shropshire Children's Trust wants all children and young people to be happy, healthy and safe and to reach their full potential, supported in a family environment, by their families, friends and the wider community





Adverse childhood experiences (A.C.E.'s) are causally and proportionately linked to poor physical, emotional and mental health and also have a significant impact on social and educational outcomes.

A Chronic Public Health Disaster



Five Direct

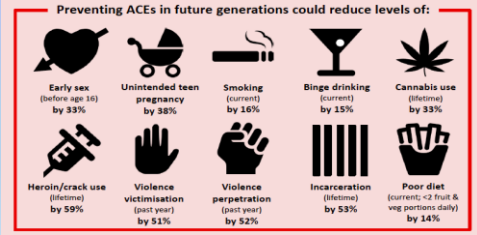


1. Sexual abuse by parent / caregiver
2. Emotional abuse by parent / caregiver
3. Physical abuse by parent / caregiver
4. Emotional neglect by parent / caregiver
5. Physical neglect by parent / caregiver

Five Indirect



1. Parent / Caregiver addicted to alcohol / other drugs
2. Witnessed abuse in the household
3. Family member in prison
4. Family member with a mental illness
5. Parent / Caregiver disappeared through abandoning family / divorce





ACE conference 2 key outcomes for this conference

Be clearer about what the ACE approach is and how routine enquiry can make a difference

Identify ways to embed the ACE approach across partner agencies in Shropshire to improve outcomes for all



Routine Enquiry is the process by which we **routinely ask individuals about traumatic/adverse experiences during the assessment process** with the intent to respond appropriately and plan interventions which in the longer term reduce the impact of the experiences on later health and wellbeing.

By identifying individuals who have experienced multiple childhood traumas and putting support in much earlier, services will be better placed to support individuals to break the negative cycle of intergenerational issues.

