#PrisonersToo – Lifting Up the Needs & Voices of Incarcerated Survivors

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JDI’s Mission

Just Detention International is a health and human rights organization that seeks to end sexual abuse in all forms of detention.

JDI’s Mission

JDI carries out its mission by:
• Working with corrections officials, rape crisis advocates, and policymakers to make detention facilities safe
• Promoting public attitudes that value the dignity and safety of people in detention
• Supporting incarcerated survivors of sexual abuse and sexual harassment

JDI’s Core Principle

No matter what crime a person may have committed, rape is not part of the penalty.
Workshop Objectives

• Understand that facilities that adopt a trauma-informed approach can support incarcerated survivors in their healing
• Identify the ways that trauma-informed programming can be incorporated into existing victim services
• Provide compassionate messages that will help incarcerated survivors feel connected to the outside world and support their healing

Potentially Traumatic Events

ABUSE
• Emotional
• Sexual
• Physical
• Domestic Violence
• Witnessing Violence
• Bullying
• Cyberbullying
• Institutional

CHRONIC STRESS
• Medical Procedures
• Poverty
• Racism
• Community Trauma
• Historical Trauma
• Family with Substance Abuse

LOSS
• Death
• Abandonment
• Neglect
• Separation
• Natural Disaster
• Accidents
• Terrorism
• War
PEOPLE WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED TRAUMA ARE:

- 15 times more likely to become an alcoholic
- 15 times more likely to commit suicide
- 12 times more likely to develop a sexually transmitted disease
- 6 times more likely to injure others
- 6 times more likely to injure themselves
- 3 times more likely to be absent from work
- 2.5 times more likely to smoke tobacco
- 2 times more likely to be depressed
- 3 times more likely to have serious health problems
- 3 times more likely to be diagnosed with a mental illness

Trauma-Informed Approach
Guiding Principles

- Safety
- Trustworthiness & Transparency
- Peer Support
- Collaboration & Mutuality
- Empowerment & Voice & Choice
- Cultural, Historical & Gender Issues

https://www.cdc.gov/cpr/infographics/6_principles_trauma_info.htm

Blooming Within These Walls

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From #MeToo to #PrisonersToo

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R4cOizEu3zK

Cultural Transformation

Kaleidoscope of Change
“We delight in the beauty of the butterfly, but rarely admit the changes it has gone through to achieve that beauty.”

- Maya Angelou
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