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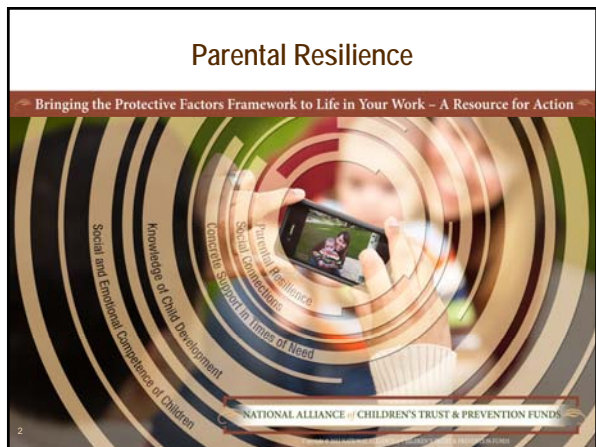
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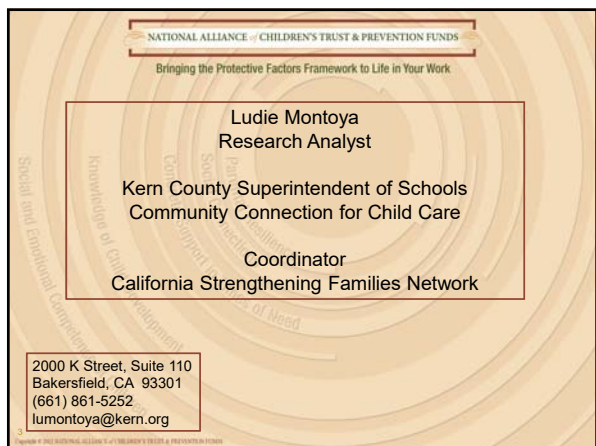
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### Outline

**1 INTRODUCTION**

- What Is Resilience?
- What Does Resilience Look Like?
- Goals and Objectives of the Training
- A Parent's Perspective

**2 FOCUS**

- Why Resilience Is so Important
- First Step to Developing Resilience
- Life Stories to Help Build Resilience
- A Practical Look at Resilience

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### Outline

**3 FRAMEWORK**

- The Pathway to Improved Outcomes for Children and Families
- Valuing and Supporting Parents

**4 ACTION**

- Looking at Strengths from a Different Perspective
- Building Partnerships with Parents Benefits Everyone
- Responding to Family Crises
- Summary

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### Essential Elements

- What is Resilience and what does it look like?
- Everyday Actions that Build Resilience:
  - Valuing and Supporting Parents
  - Honoring Each Family's Culture
  - Responding to Family Crises
  - Building Partnership with Parents to Benefit Everyone

2-Hour Training Session

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# Perspective

Resilience  
Connections  
Support in Times of Need  
Knowledge of Child Development  
Social and Emotional Competence of Children

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## Three Common Threads Throughout the Curriculum



- 1. The Strengthening Families™ Protective Factors Framework –** Understanding and communicating the importance of how to use the framework as we go about our everyday work.
- 2. The importance of culture –** How culture impacts families as they seek to build protective factors and how our own culture shapes how we individually feel, act and think.
- 3. The critical role parents play in strengthening families –** Viewing parents as valuable partners in every phase of the work we do.

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## Goals

- Define and recognize signs of parental resilience.
- Identify actions you can take to help parents build their resilience in your work.
- Give examples of program efforts to value and support parents.
- Give examples of program efforts to respond to family crises.
- Identify steps you will take to integrate these ideas into your work.

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## Defining Resilience

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## Resilience Blocks

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- Think of a time that you needed to be resilient.
- Arrange the blocks that illustrates the role each block played in helping you "bounce back" from the challenging situation.
- The bottom layer of the pyramid should include the traits and skills that are the foundation or groundwork for resilience.
- The next layer includes steps people need to take in order to manage stress and continue to function well, even in the midst of and through challenging times.
- The top two layers represent steps that are only possible when added to the strong foundation already built that demonstrate an actual increase in resilience.



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### Parental Resilience Don's Resilience

- Can you identify with Don's struggles?
- Who does he identify as "always being there for him"?
- What systems did he have to navigate to get his little girl the services she needed?
- How did Don's support group help him to overcome some of the challenges he faced?

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### An Old Quaker Exercise

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### Shape of Things to Come

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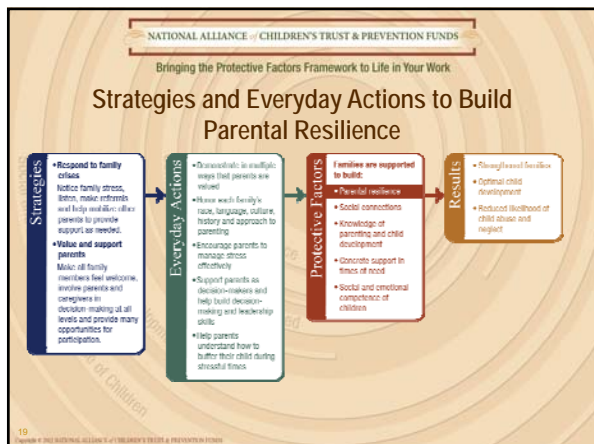
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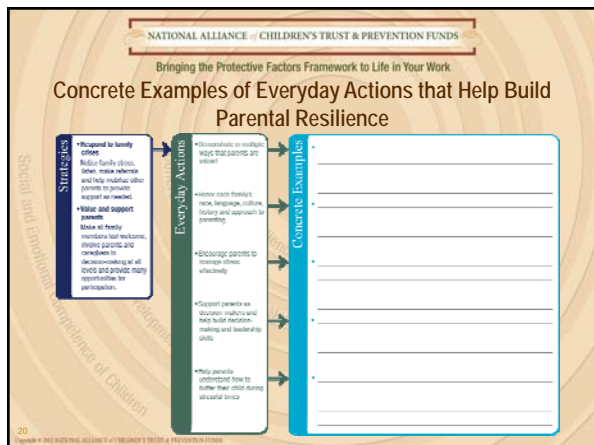
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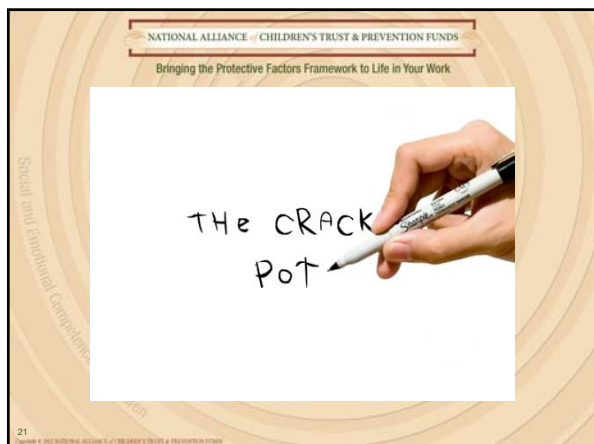
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### The Cracked Pot



Each of us has our own unique flaw. But it's the cracks and flaws we each have that make our lives together so very interesting and rewarding.  
No one is perfect – sometimes our flaws are our strengths.

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### A GOOD IDEA

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The Alliance has joined with Casey Family Programs to create the Birth Parent National Network (BPNN) which is working to promote and champion birth parents as leaders and strategic partners in child welfare system reform. Listen as birth parent Nancy V. shares about the importance of resilience in her experiences with the child welfare system.

*Bringing the Protective Factors Framework to Life in Your Work - A Resource for Action in Child Welfare*

**Nancy V.**  
 Age 36  
 Michigan  
 Family Advocate Office Manager

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### Essential Elements

- What is Resilience? What does it look like?
- How Parental Resilience Fits Into the Framework (logic model)
- **Everyday Actions that Build Resilience:**
  - Valuing and Supporting Parents
  - Honoring Each Family's Culture
  - Responding to Family Crises
  - Building Partnership with Parents to Benefit Everyone

2-Hour Training Session

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