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THE TOXIC TRIO, ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES AND THE FAMILY COURT

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What we know vs what we do

It has for a long time troubled me how much we talk about trauma in care proceedings and how little we seem to do about it. This is not through lack of awareness. Professionals working in the family courts are very aware of the historical adversity experienced by the parents and the children involved in care proceedings. Many of us work in this field because we want to reduce the impact of trauma and adversity. And yet, despite us talking about trauma all the time, and despite people's traumas being described in painful detail in report after report, I would argue that the way

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