

Credible Messenger Mentoring for Emerging Leaders



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Vision

OJJDP envisions a nation where all children are free from crime and violence. Youth contact with the justice system should be **rare, fair, and beneficial.**

Mission

OJJDP provides national leadership, coordination, and resources to prevent and respond to youth delinquency and victimization.

The Office helps states, localities, and Tribes develop effective and equitable juvenile justice systems that create safer communities and empower youth to lead productive lives.



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OJJDP Priorities:

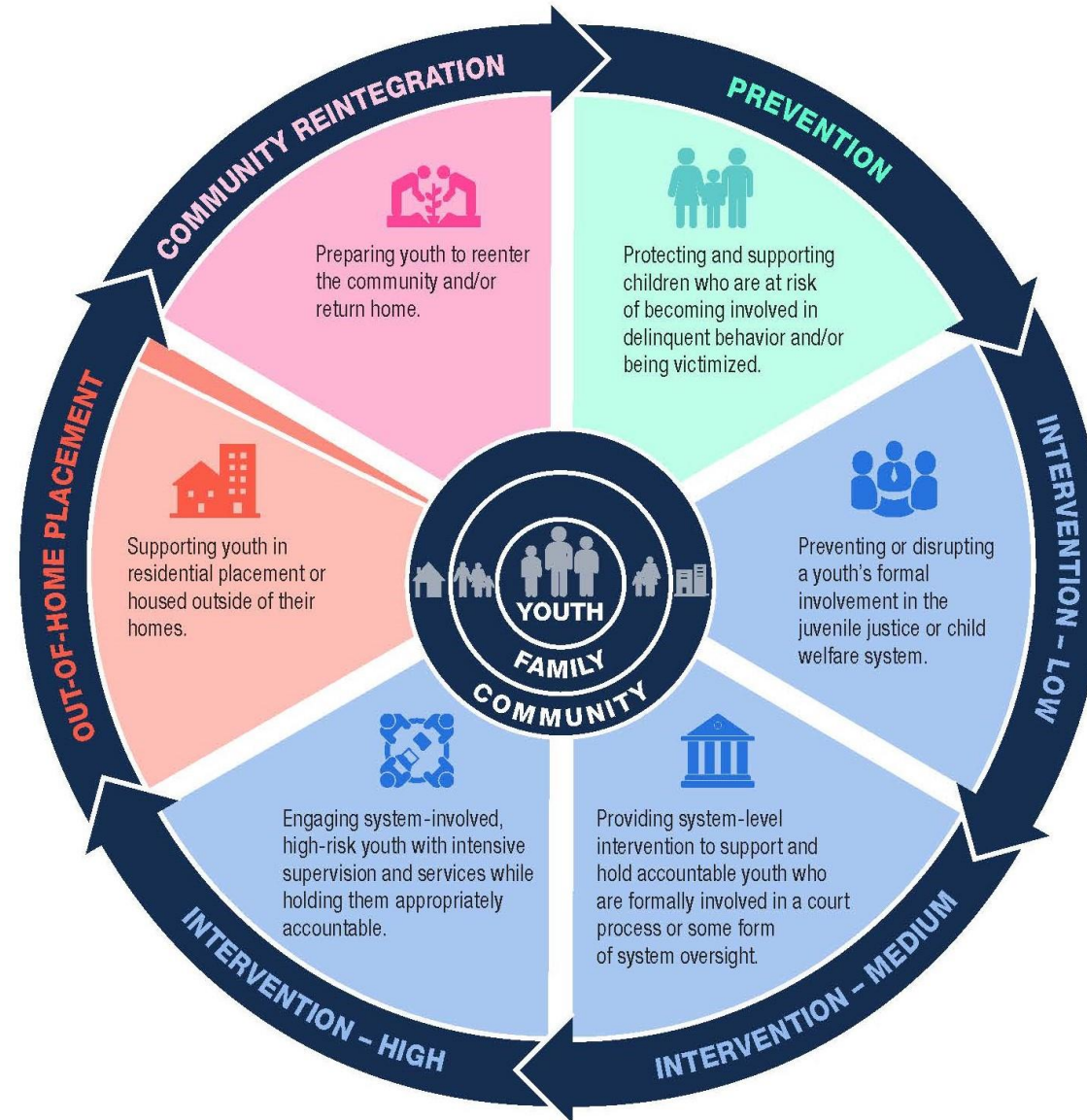
- Treat children as children.
- Serve children at home, with their families, in their communities.
- Open up opportunities for system-involved youth.

OJJDP's Overarching Principles:

- Centering the voices of system-involved youth and families.
- Ending racial inequity within the juvenile justice system.



Continuum of Care for Communities



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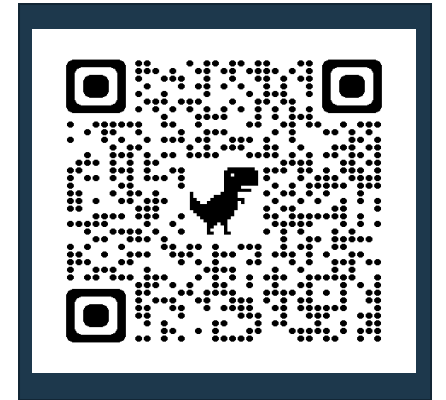


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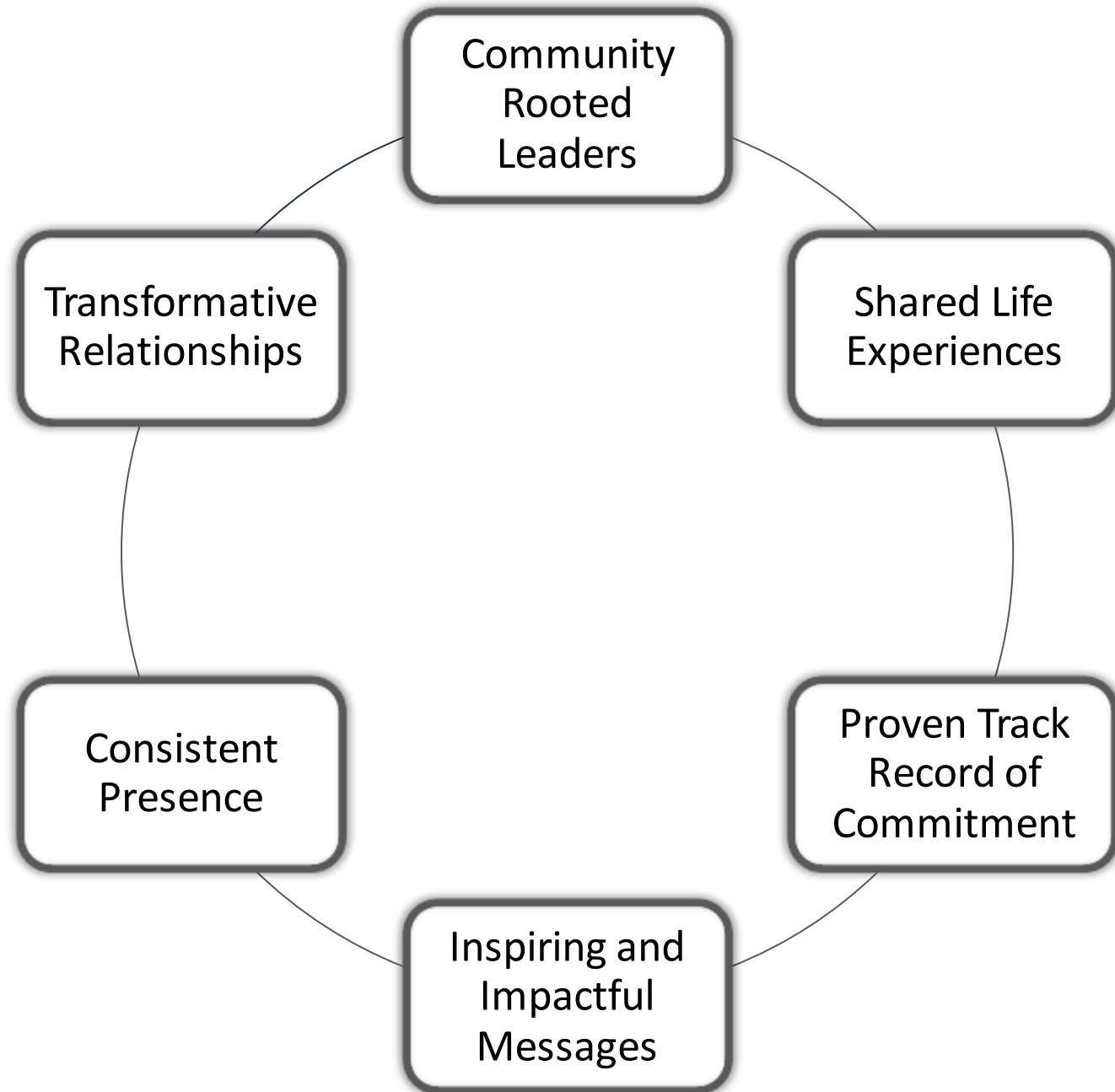
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Credible Messenger Characteristics



Credible Messenger Mentoring Defined



Credible Messengers Practice Transformative Mentoring, which is:

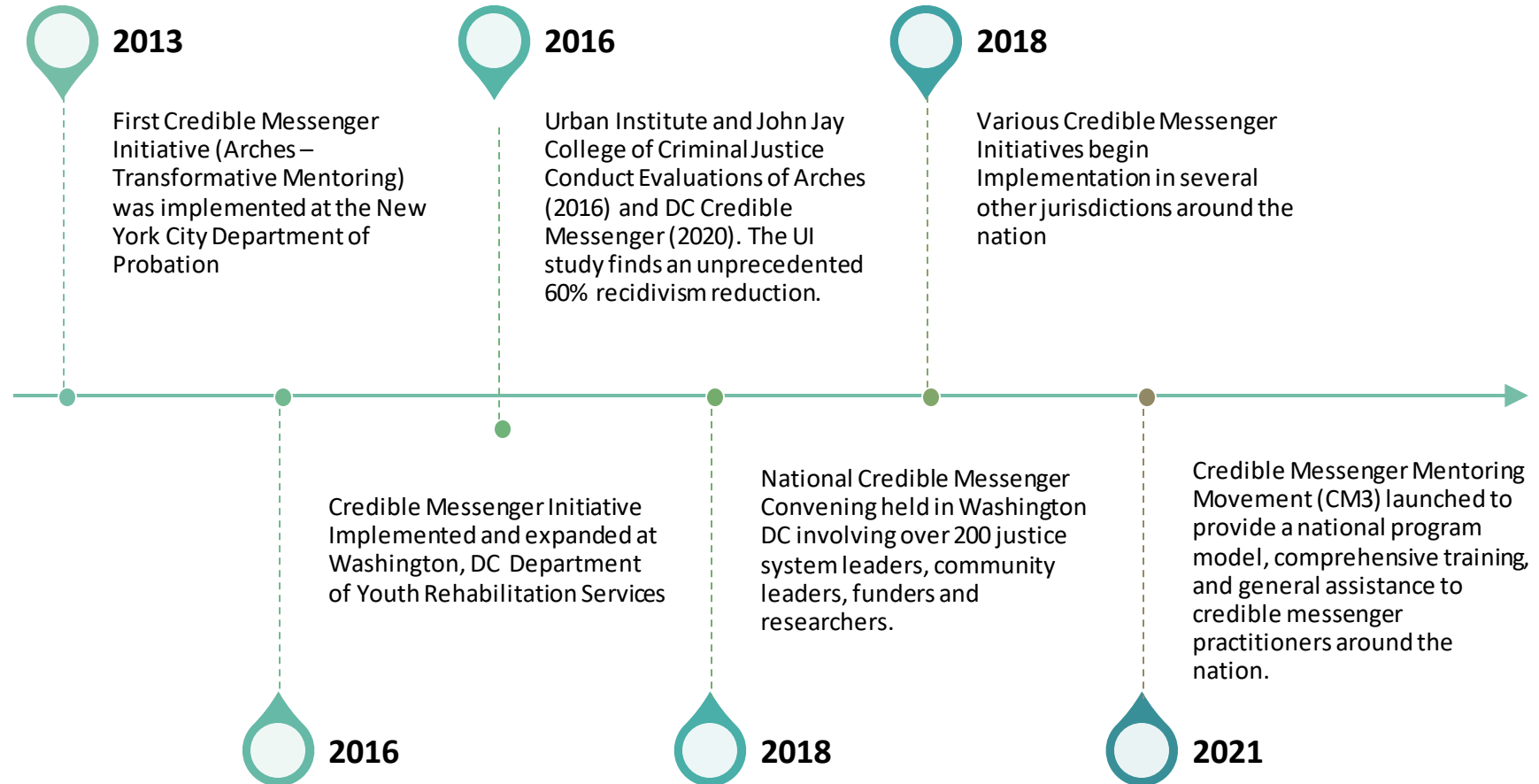
- Focused on Healing, Restoration, and Positive Youth Development
- Intentional, Structured, Systemic
- A Long-Term Commitment
- Focused on Transforming Thinking and Behavior
- Built upon Healthy, Trusting Relationships
- Leverages Trusting Relationships to build and execute plans for ongoing progress and success



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History & Evolution of Credible Messenger Mentoring



Core Areas of Credible Messenger Training & Development

Positive Youth Justice Framework

The Art and Science of Hope

Crisis Intervention & Conflict Resolution

Adolescent Brain Development & the Impact of Trauma

Restorative Justice Practices

Life Path Planning & Fundamentals of Care Coordination

Healing Centered Engagement

Individual Transformative Mentoring

Co-navigating Services, Resources, and Opportunities via Government & Community-based Organizations



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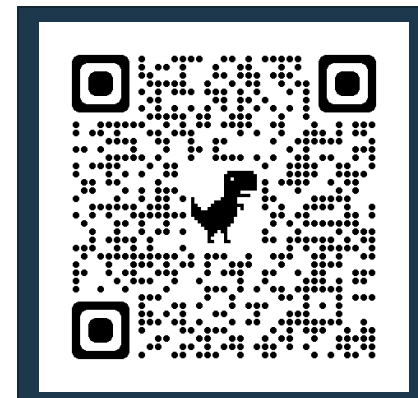
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- Transformative Mentoring
- Parent Peer Coaching
- Restorative Justice Practices
- Economic Opportunities
- Neighborhood-Based Programming





ACM's Credible Messenger Initiative goals:

SERVICE I

Connect youth to services, **supports**, and **resources** that help them reach their goals and developmental milestones.

SERVICE II

Engage youth in positive, developmentally appropriate, and structured activities that complement and enhance the care and supervision of young people.

SERVICE III

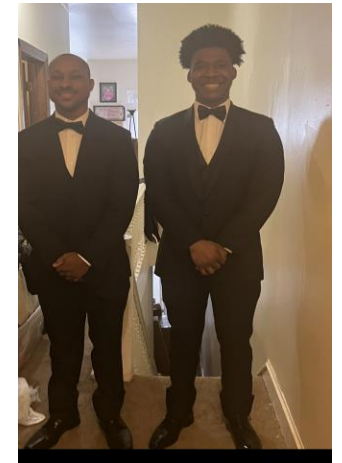
Engage young people and their caregivers in structured and **intentional relationships** that help them change their attitudes, beliefs and actions.



ACM Youth Transformations



We believe that transformation is transitional and influenced by experiences. Positive engagement coupled with new environments brings forth new considerations. We model how to properly conduct ourselves to our youth, so no matter the setting, they feel valued. At a minimum, they know what right looks like and will take that with them long after they part ways with our program.



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The Uhuru Foundation envisions a world where the most vulnerable youth and adults, especially those affected by incarceration, have the power and resources to transcend poverty and achieve upward social and economic mobility.



Through our dedicated digital literacy initiatives in the reentry space, we aim to empower these individuals with the skills and knowledge necessary to navigate the digital world, enabling them to secure meaningful employment, access vital services, and participate fully in society. Our goal is to ensure that they can build healthy lifestyles for themselves and their communities, fostering a cycle of positive change and digital inclusion for generations to come.



Keys 2 Love Transitional Home



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The Credible Messengers



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Mentoring Youth



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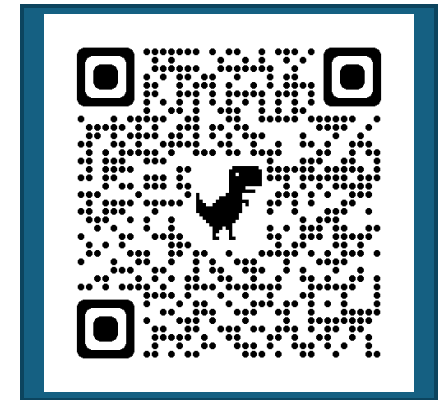
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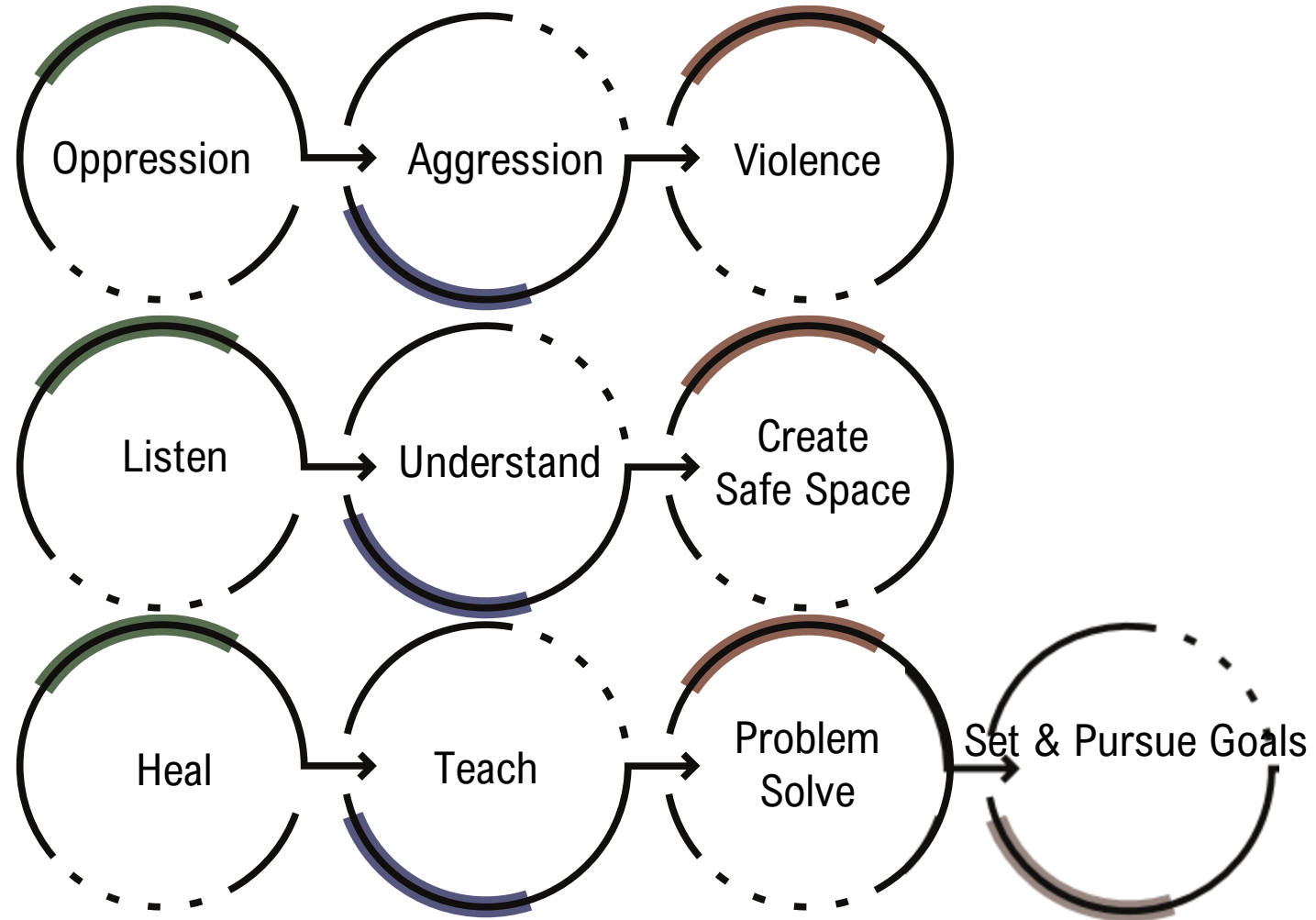
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Loving Our Youth

Crisis Intervention & Stabilization Framework

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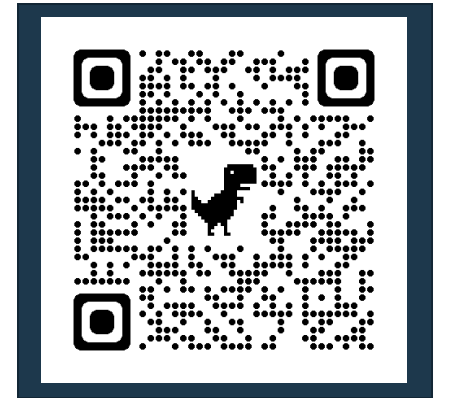


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