

## ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES

ACEs Aware is an initiative led by the Office of the California Surgeon General and the California Department of Health Care Services. This initiative gives Medi-Cal providers training, clinical protocols, and payment for screening children and adults for ACEs. Detecting ACEs early and connecting patients to interventions, resources, and other support can improve the health and well-being of individuals and families.

ACEs are stressful or traumatic events that children experience by age 18 and are strongly associated with increased health and social risks. Some identified ACEs are abuse, household challenges and neglect. Abuse/Neglect can be physical or emotional, Household Challenges can include parents with mental illness, drug abuse by family members, violence within the house and much more.



### BE A PART OF OUR TEAM

The Sierra Community Medical Foundation has created an ACEs /Social Determinants Of Health Coalition comprised of physicians, local law enforcement agencies, treatment facility professionals and concerned citizens of Placer and Nevada counties. The Coalition is looking to bring awareness to people affected by ACEs and help to locate resources for those in need. If you are interested in joining the Coalition please contact us at the information listed below. We look forward to working with you!

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