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Contributing Factors to Mental Illness

Environmental

Substance Abuse

TBI

Genetic

Shame







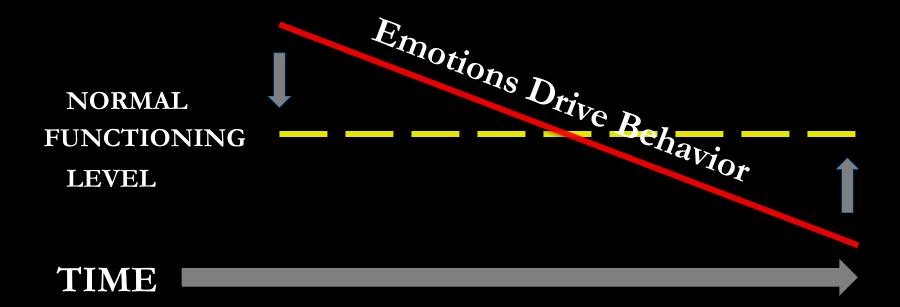
Quality of Life Triad







Benefit of Time HE=LRT



Damaging Phrases

"You should..."

"Calm down!"

"I understand"

"Things will get better"

Negotiations

The Objective = IBC

"Crisis State"/Coping mechanisms

Realize what can you control

Recognize survival responses

Negotiation Techniques

80/20 rule

Silence can be Golden

Survivor's: "I made a mistake"

Future plans

Third party intermediaries

Sample Questions

"Is it your life you want to end, or how your life is going that you want to end?"

"Can you tell me about a happier time in your past? Why don't you think you can go back to that?"

"You have so much to live for."

"I've been through similar circumstances and I'm fine now."

"Believe me, I know how you feel."







Case Study









Lessons Learned

Observing "The Act"

After a suicide is witnessed

Speaking to family

Manager/Supervisor role



Warning Signs









Location/List/Listen



Validations/Normalization/Gratitude



Toxic Positivity/Secrets/Assistance



Follow-Up

1:Warning signs a crisis my be forthcoming

- 2:Coping strategies I can do
- 3:Places I feel safe/provide distractions
- 4:People/Organizations I can contact for assistance
- 5:Goals I have yet to accomplish
- 6:What in my life do I value or am responsible for









