## Child Trauma and Caregiving

Below are common experiences of caregivers of children who have gone through traumatic experiences. Which of the experiences below currently fit you?

Use the blank spaces to write in any experiences you're having that aren't listed.

Common Feelings			
	Upset about it happening to your child		Embarrassed that it happened
	Sadness		Shame about it happening
	Fear for your child		Insecurity since it happened
	Anger that it happened		Guilt about not knowing sooner.
Common Thoughts			
	Think about what happened while		Concern that your child will never be the
	working or at other challenging times		same
	Concerned about what others will think		Wonder if you're doing enough to help
			your child
	Think you are responsible for your child		Think your child's future is less hopeful
	experiencing the trauma		now
Common Reactions			
	Trouble sleeping		More rules and restrictions for your child
	Physical symptoms – headaches,		Fewer rules and less structure and
	stomach aches, etc.		consistency with your child
	More frequent reactions like crying,		Increased conflict with your partner or
	moodiness, angry outbursts		other significant adult relationships

## What is a thought you have had about yourself related to your child's trauma?

Original thought:			
Feeling:			
Thought (above) Behavior:			
More helpful and balanced thought:			
Feeling:			
Thought (above) Behavior:			