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The Education Sector in NI

Total Population of NI = 1.8m

**Number of school age
children is 335,000**

Number of schools – 1130





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Stakeholder Engagement

System Change Tool

Leadership Programme

Training Delivery Programme – EA, CCMS, CnaG, NICIE, DE, ETI, Ulster University, Stranmillis, FE Colleges, DfE

Principal Engagement

Principal Training Irish Medium Sector

Schools Pilot with EA, CCMS, CSSC



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Developing Trauma Informed Schools – Collaborative Response





Assumptions Underpinning Trauma Informed Practice – the 4 Rs

Realisation – all people at all levels have a basic knowledge about trauma

Recognise – practitioners can recognise the symptoms

Respond – the whole system is aware and responds with that knowledge, its policies, procedure reflect trauma awareness and care

Resist – the re-traumatisation of service users and providers

Trauma Informed Practice as a Precursor to Strengths Based Approaches





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**'One test of the
correctness of the
educational procedure is
the happiness of the
child.' Maria Montessori**

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Change SBNI/HSC
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