# It's not a question of if a crisis will impact your school. It's a question of when. Are YOU ready?

#### WHAT IS TIG?

TIG is a comprehensive training and crisis response network for K-12 education and beyond. The innovative TIG program model trains networks of school-based professionals to meet the holistic needs of students and equips them with evidence-based crisis response skills, resources, and ongoing technical support to help students cope with trauma, violence, illness, death, and grief in the school setting.

The goal of TIG is to strengthen and grow an organization's internal capacity to prepare to have appropriate support for students and staff in place to help minimize risk for crisis, respond more effectively and efficiently, and recover quickly by promoting health recovery strategies in the event of a traumatic incident.



#### **WHY TIG?**

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Educators across the country are committed to transforming school environments to deliver high-quality instruction through a trauma-responsive, equity-focused lens.

The **TIG framework** is aligned with the best practices to Prevent, Protect, Mitigate, Respond, and Recover. TIG provides participants with the practical knowledge, contemporary tools, enhanced supports, and greater resources within the region needed to implement this framework.

The best part? **It's not hard** – over 20 years, TIG's resources have been vetted and are proven to be "off-the-shelf" easy to implement. They WILL help improve existing practices, policies, and procedures.

Each aspect of the model actively builds staff capacity, confidence, and efficacy around these domains. In addition, it provides increased liability protection, and is a strong investment toward sustainability.

### TIG TEAM

The team is comprised of training professionals and support staff who are dedicated to helping individuals and school districts expand their trauma-informed care knowledge base and practice capacities.

By integrating their mental health, resilience, and crisis response expertise, the TIG curriculum is constructed to spiral, and the team-based training experience accelerates efforts across multiple-initiatives such as SEL, PBIS, Restorative Practices, Equity, School Safety, and Resilience Development.





#### 7-Module Training Series

TIG training is structured to be responsive to a school calendar, over the course of five days. All topics are presented through an educational lens, and each module is specifically designed to inform educational practice regardless of the role of the school professional. Districts identify TIG Teams to attend training together, building consistency in implementation, and accelerating practice change. The seven modules are as follows:

- Grief & Loss at School
- Trauma
- Suicide Risk and Intervention in Youth and Adolescents
- Chronic & Acute Risk Illness
- Threat Assessment & Management
- TIG Implementation & Crisis Response
- Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM)

BACK-UP SUPPORT NETWORK

Within a regional infrastructure, TIG Teams are linked to one another for seamless support, as well as to evidenced-based crisis response skills and with other resources from the Consortium. Back-Up Support Networks provide assurance that in the event of a district-wide emergency, a school district can be confident that TIG Teams deployed from other districts share a philosophy of crisis response and are trained in an evidence-based model of crisis intervention and assistance.

Sustainable Training Model

- Memorandum of Understanding
- Primary Contacts
- Advisory Board
- Centralized Request Process
- Crisis Response Plans
- Collective Learning
- Grief & Loss at School
- Trauma

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[TIG] provides some very clear processes, guidelines, and protocols that really allow us to support students, staff, families, and community members in all different kinds of incidences.

-Joseph Jackson, Supervisor of Counseling



## TIG's Mission...

is to grow and maintain a community and school based consortium of culturally sensitive and clinically appropriate training, support, and resource services to assist schools in responding to the emotional needs of students, teachers, administrators, and other school personnel which arise from trauma, violence, illness, grief, and loss. Learn more and start your TIG journey today at <a href="https://www.tigconsortium.org">www.tigconsortium.org</a>.