Trauma Reaction Cards Checklist

Client Name:_____

Date:____

Behavior Reactions

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□ Hitting	□ Arguing	Not Listening /Defiance
Fighting	Cursing	Breaking Things
🗆 Running away	Crying	Outbursts of anger
School Problems	🗆 Lying	Bathroom Problems
Avoiding people, places,	Acting younger than you are	Isolating yourself from others
things, or sensations related to	Unsafe sexual practices	Trying to end your life
the trauma	Stealing	Trouble with eating
Hurting your own body	Tantrums	Using drugs/alcohol/cigarettes
Taking out your feelings on	Difficulty separating from	Trouble getting along with
people you care about	caregivers	others
Trusting others too quickly/	□	
Inappropriate boundaries		

Body Reactions

Feeling like you are re-	Being on guard or constantly	Feeling disconnected from
experiencing the trauma	alert	your body
Jumpy or Easily Startled	Trouble with eating	Hyperactive
Body Feeling Shaky	Feeling short of breath	Nightmares
Trouble with sleep	Bellyaches/Nausea	Headaches
Low energy	Body Feeling of Panic	□
Body or muscles tense		

Feelings Reactions

🗆 Guilty	□ Having worries	🗆 Sad
🗆 Angry	Nervous/anxious	Moody/Irritable
🗆 Ashamed	Depressed	Helpless
🗆 Numb	🗆 Betrayed	Hopeless about Future
Rejected	🗆 Easily Upset	Not caring about others
\Box Not enjoying the things used to	□ Feeling different from others	Embarrassed

Brain & Thinking Reactions

"Everyone is unsafe"	Not trusting others	"It's my fault" or blaming self
"The world is a bad place"	🗆 "I am bad"	Memories/Flashbacks
Difficulty Concentrating/	Forgetting parts of the	Tring to keep feelings/
Focusing	trauma	thoughts of trauma out of head
□ Thinking nothing good will ever	Thinking about the safety of	□Thoughts about what
happen	loved ones	happened pop into you head
Thinking about the trauma	Thinking about dying/	\Box Pictures of what happen pop
often	wanting to die	into your head

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