



## Traci Pettis Johnson

### **Specialties:**

- Culture Competency
- Non-Violence Physical Crisis Intervention
- Trauma Informed Care Instructor
- Mental Health
- Question Persuade and Refer Instructor
- Wellness Coach Instructor

Traci Pettis Johnson is a diverse educator throughout the state of Kansas and Missouri. This includes 20 years of experience in the criminal justice system, business leader, mental health advocate, bereavement services, guest speaker and lecturer in the faith community, government entities, academic sector and nonprofit sector.

Traci's strongest professional attributes include a unique style of teaching and motivating a broad range of audiences and ages to become empowered and be "change agents" for themselves for their communities and society.

Traci's passion, intelligence, wisdom, contagious smile and genuine approach to situation and people have allowed her to design practical curriculum and embrace evidence base practice teachings. Her team work spirit and her ability to connect with any audience have allowed her to become a top leader instructor throughout the country to certified 100's of mental health first aiders since 2008 and champion mental health causes.

Personally, Traci enjoys bringing a warm smile and hope to others as a bereavement coordinator or as an accomplish educator. She is dedicated to her family, friends, community, faith, and volunteers for Convoy of Hope, support homeless agencies and Youth Ministries.

Traci holds a Bachelor degree in Sociology from Newman University and a pursuing her Masters in Thanatology.

Traci's accomplishments include:

- Chair person for Culture Competency and Trauma Informed Committee developing curriculum for over 250 staff and ancillary support. In addition, a member of the learning community and metro council who collaborates with mental health agencies in Kansas and Missouri working on race relations, mental health challenges and other disparities that plagues our communities, under the advisement of Dr. Jose Reyes.
- Coordinated and trained mental health first aide sponsored by Governor Jay Nixon, Urban Summit of Kansas City, Raytown, Blue Springs, and Independence School Districts. Guest speaker and lecture at Metropolitan Community College. And guest lecturer at interfaith events surrounding trauma, incarceration and mental health.
- Coordinate bereavement services for families throughout Kansas City and Metropolitan areas.

I heard many times before that it takes a village..But I teach and believe that, “it takes a Healthy Village to transform lives and their community.” Traci P. Johnson