

# Resilience and mental health

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## Mental health versus Mental illness

- Mentally healthy people maintain their healthy perspective in the face of adversity
- Mentally unhealthy people tip into mental illness in the face of adversity.
- But building resilience may mean people are in a process of learning how to navigate through many difficulties



# Mental illness versus mental health

-10 Mental illness	Mental Health +10
No agency	Agency
Helplessness	In control of situation
Others make decisions for you	Making informed decisions
Reliant on medication or external control	Doing things that you know will help
Cant trust own judgement	Aware of internal control
Pessimistic or paranoid thinking	Trust own judgement
Destructive decisions	Making helpful choices

## RESILIENCE

The process of continual development of personal competence while navigating and negotiating with available resources in the face of adversity (Worsley, 2010).

- 1. Personal competence
- 2. Navigating resources
- 3. Having adversity





## The Resilience Doughnut model

#### Is the interaction of

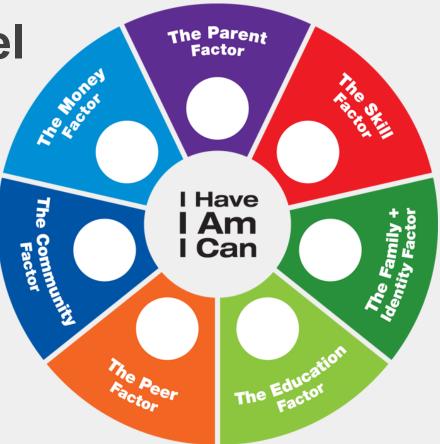
#### Internal characteristics of

- Knowledge of available resources (I Have)
- Self esteem (I Am)
- Self Efficacy (I Can)

#### With

Seven external contexts

Each of the seven contexts show where the positive intentional connections exist which build resilience.





## **Three strengths**

- The premise of the model suggests that only three strong external contexts are needed in order to develop the internal characteristics.
- Tipping points occur when key strengths are removed.
- Turning points occur when three strengths are activated.





# Resilience is a process of navigating and negotiating



#### Socially and emotionally



Environmentally

Image: Physically



