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**2015 Colorado Restorative Justice Training**

**Victim Centered  
Restorative Justice Practices**

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**MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup> , 2015  
9AM – 12PM**

**Colorado Organization of Victim Assistance  
(COVA)**

**1325 South Colorado Blvd.  
Denver, CO 80222**

## Ground Rules

- Speak in turn
- Listen without interrupting with an open heart and an open mind.
- Respect the opinions and privacy of all others present and do not share anyone else's words.
- We are a diverse group- Do your best to bring your wisdom and learn from the wisdom and experiences of others.
- Share the air- We may need to move things along to stay on schedule
- Anything else?

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"Before we get too deeply involved, I feel we should establish certain ground rules, Jeremy."

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**Victims**

**Victim  
Centeredness**

**Restorative  
Justice  
Practices**



Listen



# What do YOU think?

## Victim Description

- How does Restorative Justice Practices serve or do a dis-service ?

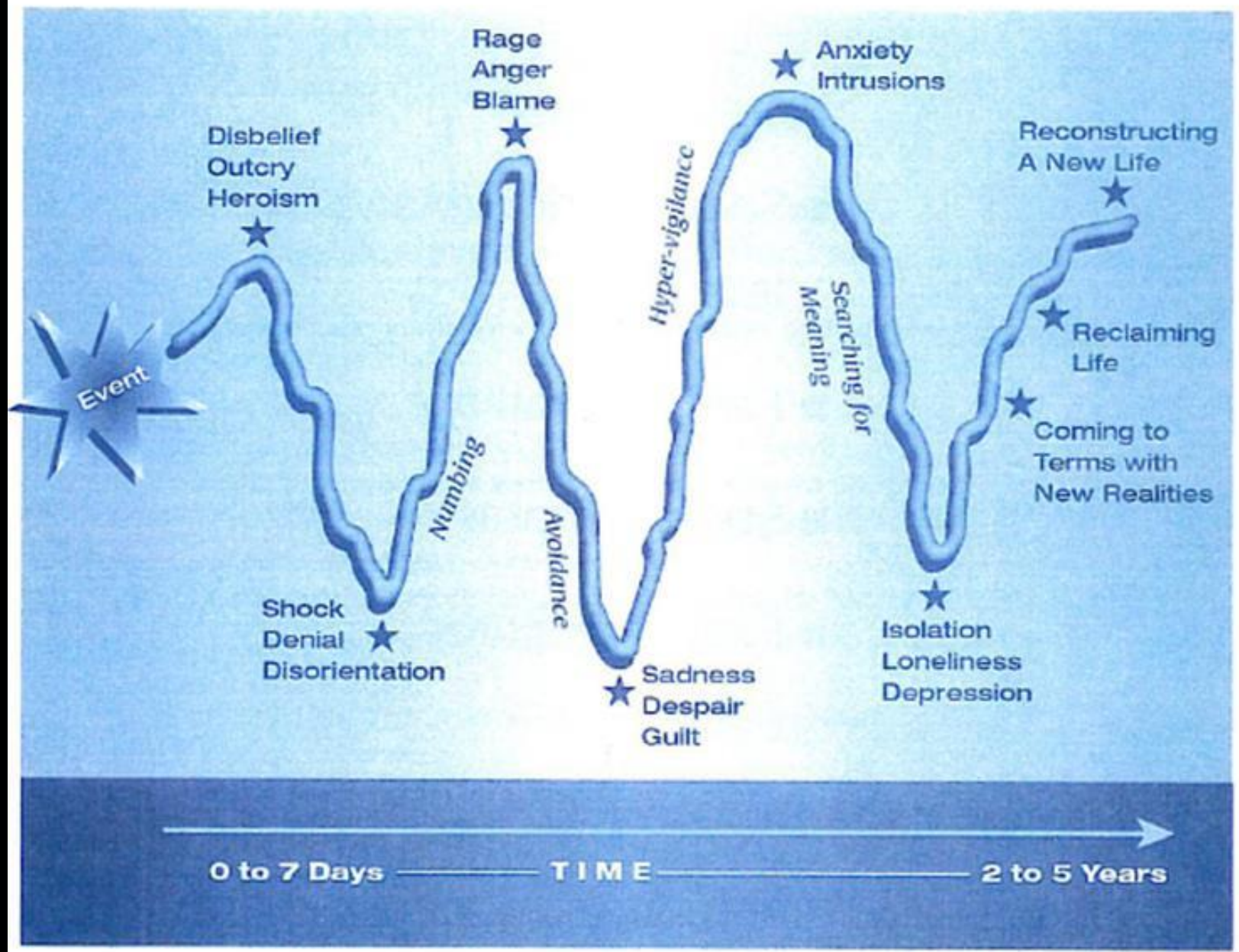
## Offender Description

- How does Restorative Justice Practices serve or do a dis-service ?





FIGURE 2: MODEL OF RESPONSES TO TRAUMA AND BEREAVEMENT



(Note. Adapted from CMHS, 1994)

# Crime Levels Vary

## Lower Level Crimes

- Felony 3
- Felony 4
- Felony 5
- Felony 6
- Misdemeanors
- Petty Offenses
- Status Offense
- School Offenses

## Victims Rights Act Crimes

- Some Felony 3
- Some Felony 2
- Some Felony 1
- Some Specifics
  - Any case involving death
  - Assault (1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> degree)
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Arson
  - Aggravated Robbery
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Burglary

# Victims' Rights

- Notified
- Present
- Heard

FAIRNESS ~ DIGNITY ~ RESPECT

# Victim-Centered Restorative Justice Practices

**FAIRNESS ~ DIGNITY ~ RESPECT**

Being victim-centered  
means holding the care and concern  
for the victim as the primary  
consideration.

# Restorative Justice

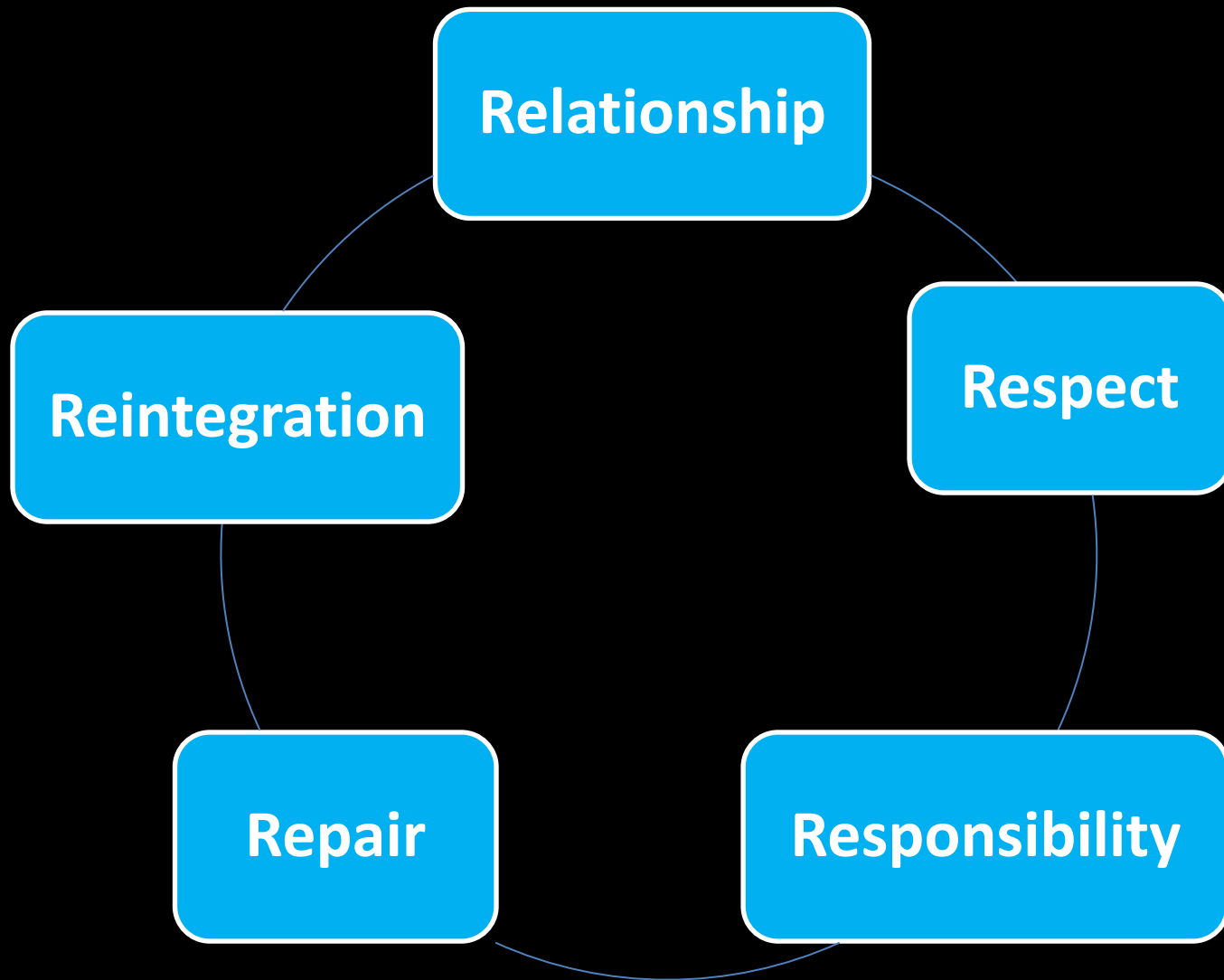


# Restorative Practices

What happened?

Who's been affected & how?

What will be done to make things right?



## The 5 Rs of Restorative Justice

Victim Centered  
Restorative Justice Practices...  
What would you do?







# What does a victim need?





**DO OR DO NOT**

**THERE IS NO**

**TRY**

Feel like saying yes?





# Safeguards



- Victim-Centered
  - Choice
  - Safety
  - Support
- Victim Advocates
- Surveys/Assessments
- Facilitator Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice

What?

So What?

Now What?





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**Thank you.**