



# William Steele, PsyD, MSW

## The National Institute for Trauma and Loss in Children

**Education:** Doctorate Psychology, 2000, California Coast University; Master Social Work, 1986, Wayne State University; Master Arts, Guidance/Counseling, 1968, University of Detroit

**Positions:** **Starr Commonwealth, Senior Vice President of Training**  
Founded in 1913, Starr Commonwealth serves children and adolescents throughout Michigan and Ohio. It is a leader in the field of strength based practices for youth in residential and community based programs. All programs are based on the practice “we see something good in every child.” The Starr Institute for Training is a national program which supports the National Institute for Trauma and Loss in Children.

### **The National Institute for Trauma and Loss in Children (TLC), Founder and Director**

Dr. Steele founded TLC in 1990 and its national certification program for Trauma and Loss School Specialists, Consultant, and Consultant Supervisor in 1995. He developed, field-tested, and researched trauma-specific school/agency based intervention programs for children, adolescents, and adults. TLC trains over 2,000 professionals annually and is a program of Starr Commonwealth.

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- Steele, W. (1991). Perceptions and marketing positioning in nonprofit organizations. *Administration and Policy in Mental Health*, 19:2, 81-82.
- Steele, W. (1985). Preventing the spread of suicide among adolescents. USA Today, New York, New York.
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### Books/Manuals:

- Steele, W. & Kuban, C. (2008). *One-Minute Trauma Interventions for Children and Adolescents*, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI: TLC Institute
- Steele, W. & Kuban, C. (2008). *Trauma Informed Care: 50 Frequently Asked Questions About Trauma Intervention*, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI: TLC Institute
- Steele, W. & Raider, M. (2001). *Structured sensory intervention for children, adolescents, and parents (SITCAP)*. New York, NY: Edwin Mellen Press.
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- Steele, W. (2000). *Trauma Response Protocol Manual*. Grosse Pointe Woods, MI: TLC Institute.
- Steele, W. (1999). *Trauma Debriefing in Schools and Agencies*, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI: TLC Institute.
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- Steele, W. (1994). *KIDS on the Inside Looking Out After a Traumatic Loss*, Charlotte, SC: Kids Rights.
- Steele, W. (1993). *After a Traumatic Loss*, Dayton, OH: PPI Publishing.
- Steele, W. (1992). *Preventing Self Destruction*, Holmer Beach, FL: Learning Publications, Inc.
- Steele, W. (1991). *Working With Families in Crisis*, New York, NY: Guilford Publications.
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- Steele, W. (1986). *Survivors: What to Do Following a Suicide*, Naples, FL: Ann Arbor Publishers.
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### Intervention Programs:

Developed, evidenced-based researched and field-tested intervention programs used throughout the country with children 3-18 years of age, adults and parents.

- *Trauma Intervention Program for At-risk, Adjudicated Youth (SITCAP-ART)* (2007)
- *What Do I Tell My Child When I'm Scared, Too?* (2003)
- *Adults in Trauma: Learning to Survive* (2001)
- *Structured Sensory Trauma Intervention Program (SITCAP)* (1997)
- *What Color is Your Hurt?* (1996)
- *I Feel Better Now!* (1995, 2007-revised).

### Video Productions:

- *What Do I Tell My Child When I'm Scared, Too?* (2005), TLC Institute;
- *Debriefing for Schools* (2000), TLC Institute
- *After the Violence* (1995) Film Ideas
- *Children of Trauma* (1993) Kids Rights
- *Where Have All the Children Gone?* (1987) Kids Rights - Nominated for a Michigan Emmy Award
- *Preventing Teen Suicide* (1985) - Winner of a Michigan Emmy Award.

### Awards:

- Alumni of the Year, Wayne State School of Social Work, 1996
- One of the first American's selected by the Kuwait Social Development Office to provide trauma and loss intervention training in the aftermath of the Gulf War, 1993
- Great Seal of the State of Michigan, Outstanding Community Service, 1990
- Father of the Year, 1987

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