## Things That Impact Having Problems or Getting Better

- \* Type of trauma experience: The more serious and/ or violent the trauma, the more problems you may have.
- \* If you thought your life was threatened, you may experience more problems.
- \* Feelings of loss.
- \* Blaming yourself for what happened or feeling ashamed because of what happened to you.
- \* Other trauma experiences.
- \* Trouble handling problems in the past.
- \* Other problem life experiences (parent's divorce, drugs or alcohol in the family).
- **★** Support from family and/or friends. The more support, the better.