First Aid for Stress and Trauma (F.A.S.T.)



Safe - Simple - Effective

What is F.A.S.T.?

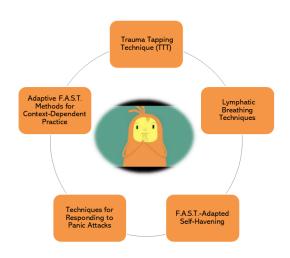
First Aid for Stress and Trauma: A practical, trauma-informed toolbox for immediate response in crisis settings

- No need to talk about the trauma
- No retraumatisation
- Safe, quick, and teachable

Why it Works?

- It's evidence-based and informed by a commitment to best practice
- It's based on homeostatic reparation (calming survival responses in the body)
- It aligns with global mental health guidelines for scalable response to crisis contexts
- It respects cultural contexts and adapts to local ways of healing

Core Tools



- (1) Trauma Tapping Technique (TTT)
- (2) Lymphatic Breathing Techniques
- (3) F.A.S.T.-Adapted Self-Havening
- (4) Responding to Panic Attacks
- (5) Adaptive Methods for Context-Dependent practice

| Guiding Principles | ♥ What We Avoid |
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| No suffering | Asking people to re-live trauma |
| Empowerment | Talk therapy in unsafe settings |
| Cultural safety | Affirmations or scripted phrases |
| Integrates with medical care | Cognitive overload for distressed people |
| Equity and accessibility | Arriving as experts |

"You don't need to talk to heal. You don't need credentials to care. You just need safe tools – and someone to pass them on"

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