

## TRAUMA THE PROFESSIONAL IMPACT OF VICARIOUS TRAUMA

**JOB TASKS:** Decrease in quality and quantity, lower motivation, increased

mistakes.

**MORALE:** Loss of interests, dissatisfaction with assignments, negative

attitudes, apathy, detachment, decrease in confidence.

**INTERPERSONAL:** Withdrawal form colleagues, poor communication, staff conflicts,

blaming, and impatience.

**BEHAVIORAL:** Absenteeism, irritability, overworking, irresponsibility, tardiness,

poor judgment, frequent threats to resign or quit, changes in routine, absent mindedness, accident prone, self-destructive coping behaviors (food, money, gambling, shopping, drugs).

**PHYSICAL:** Loss of sleep, change in appetite, increase alcohol consumption,

impaired immune system.

**EMOTIONAL:** Anxiety, guilt, irritability, anger, rage, depression, sadness. Loss of

empathy, hopelessness, grief and emotional roller-coaster rides.

**COGNITIVE:** Lack of concentration, loss of focus, rigidity, self-doubt,

perfectionism, difficulty making decisions.

**REALTIONAL** Mistrust, withdrawal, intolerance, confusion and impaired thinking.

(INTERPERSONAL):

**WORLD VIEW** Work place frustration, sense of unfairness and lack of support,

(SPIRITUAL): blaming and misplaced anger.

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