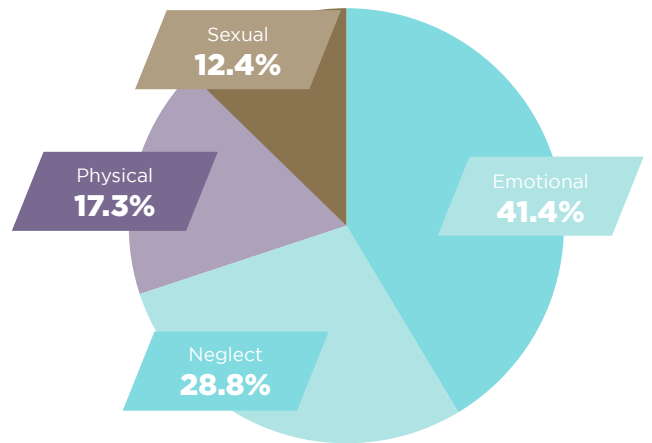


## CHILDHOOD ABUSE & NEGLECT

IN AUSTRALIA



1 in 3 girls and 1 in 7 boys will experience some form of sexual abuse before they turn 18



As well as being the most common type of abuse, emotional abuse was most likely to coincide with other forms of abuse, with neglect and physical abuse often occurring in the same households

## PREGNANCY & EARLY CHILD LOSSES

IN AUSTRALIA

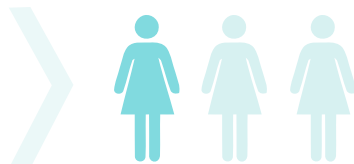
1 IN 4 WOMEN

Have had a miscarriage



1 IN 3 WOMEN

Will experience some type of child loss



### TYPES OF EARLY CHILD LOSSES

MISCARRIAGE	PERINATAL
ECTOPIC	NEONATAL
OVUM	STILLBIRTH
IVF LOSSES	INFANT DEATH
ABORTION	ADOPTION

EACH YEAR IN AUSTRALIA THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY

103,000

MISCARRIAGES

2,986

PERINATAL DEATHS

2,200

STILLBIRTHS

786

NEONATAL DEATHS

73,800

ABORTIONS

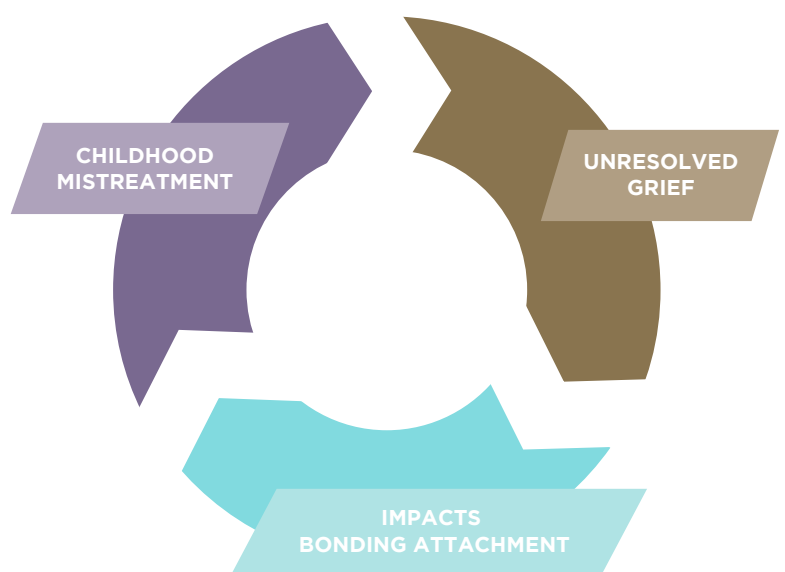
## THE LINK BETWEEN CHILDHOOD ABUSE, NEGLECT & UNRESOLVED GRIEF

Statistically we are unlikely to escape childhood abuse, neglect, and unresolved losses in our family trees. The only difference is, where we are on the continuum of severity.

Impaired mental health impacts the ability of parents to respond appropriately to the needs of their children

Unresolved grief and childhood abuse and neglect can impact both men women's mental health to varying degrees.

Hope alive group therapy can help break the cycle!



### THE INJURY WITHIN

"The overwhelming need may not be readily apparent, yet careful clinical observation and research indicate there are millions of people in every country deeply wounded by confusing conflicts, intense emotions, personality handicaps and progressive dehumanization resulting from unresolved pregnancy losses and abuses. Many people are able to keep up a façade of health, but they quickly decompensate with physical complaints or psychiatric disturbances in time of relatively minor crisis."