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Whole People, Documentary by CentraCare and Twin Cities PBS, wins Upper Midwest Emmy® Award

St. Cloud, Minn. – “Whole People,” a documentary series about Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs), created in partnership with CentraCare and Twin Cities PBS, won an Upper Midwest Emmy this past weekend.

"Whole People" was awarded an Emmy for the episode titled "New Response" during the 2019 Upper Midwest Emmy Awards Gala on Saturday, Oct. 5 at the Mystic Center in Prior Lake, Minn.

The episode features the Central Minnesota Child Advocacy Center (CAC), a CentraCare collaboration with law enforcement, child protection, county attorneys, advocates, mental health and medical professionals to ensure children receive the proper care and support during and after a child abuse investigation.

CentraCare recognizes the impact ACEs have on the health and wellbeing of Minnesotans and is taking a leading role to support efforts that address this issue, which included partnering with Twin Cities PBS on this documentary series.

"Studies show that when children experience traumatic events, poverty, or inequities, their health and family's health is significantly impacted," said Pam Beckering, MS, LPCC, Trauma Informed Care Program Manager at CentraCare. "In fact, the long-term health effects of these experiences can actually increase the likelihood of developing chronic diseases and mental illnesses and even increase the risk of developing some cancers."

"Whole People" aired on Twin Cities PBS in January and February of this year. The documentary series is the result of a three-year partnership between CentraCare and TPT. All five episodes of the documentary series are available on the [Feeling Good MN website](#).

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