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# EMBEDDING EVIDENCE BASED PRACTICES INTO DAILY ROUTINES: YOUNG CHILDREN WITH ASD

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### **Presenter Information**



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## **Learner Objectives**

## Participants will:

- Understand what qualifies an intervention as an Evidence Based Practices (EBP)
- Be aware of a variety of Evidence Based Practices that can be used for young children with Autism
- Understand how EBP can be used in daily routines to increase child outcomes

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# **Presentation Summary**

This webinar will describe a variety of Evidence Based Practices (EBP) that can be used with families during daily routines!!

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# **ROUTINES**

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#### What are Routines?

• Naturally occurring activities happening with some regularity including caregiving events and simply hanging out times

Individualized Intervention with-in Routines:

 Joining the child in what-ever the child is engaged in and weaving interventions into the child and family activity

McWilliam, R. A., Routines-Based Early Intervention (2010)



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# Routines-Based Interview (RBI)

- A semi-structured interview
- •Gathering information about the child and family's daily activities
- Determining priorities for Individual Family Service Plan(IFSP)

McWilliam, R. A., Routines-Based Early Intervention (2010)



# WHAT ARE EVIDENCE BASED PRACTICES?



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### **Evidence Based Practices**

IDEA requires educators to use researched based methods or those with evidence of effectiveness from publication in peer-reviewed journals

Research based methods that have **shown evidence of effectiveness from publication in 5 or more peer reviewed journals** 

- Must be applied and implemented effectively
- Evidence of effectiveness is repeated over time with multiple students and service providers

National Autism Center-Natural Standards Project 2015



#### **Established Evidence-Based Interventions**

- Behavioral Interventions
- Cognitive Behavioral Intervention
- Comprehensive Behavioral Treatment for Young Children
- Language Training(Production)
- Modeling
- Joint Attention Interventions
- Natural Teaching Strategies

- Parent Training
- Peer Training
- Pivotal Response Training
- Schedules
- Scripting
- Self-Management
- Social Skills
- Story-Based Intervention
- Exercise

National Autism Center-National Standards Project 2015



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# PARENT TRAINING

Coaching our parents during home services



# **Parent Training**

- Training on how to implement various strategies (after determining the best routine)
- First describe the intervention- -having the steps in writing is important
- Model the intervention
- Have the parent try the intervention with the child
- •Give gentle feedback have parent try again- -answer questions for parent
- Always be willing to model the strategy again for families



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## Taking Advantage of Technology...

- Do a video model and leave it with parents
- Pictures of the steps of the strategy
- Zoom in with parents in between visits to answer questions, review your video model etc.



## **Trouble-Shooting with Parents**

- •If the family is not implementing the strategy...find out why!!
- •Is the strategy not fitting into the family routine?
- •Is the child not responding to the intervention?
- Is the family struggling to remember to implement
- •Did the family try but was not sure they were implementing it correctly?

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## Polling Question #1

Steps to train and coach parents on using a new evidence based practice include which of the following....

(check all that apply)

- □Describe the strategy (also have it in writing/pictures for parent)
- Model the strategy
- ☐ Have parents try the strategy
- □Tell them what they did wrong and not to do it again

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# Polling Question #1 Answer

- Describe the strategy (also have it in writing/pictures for parent)
- ■Model the strategy
- ☐ Have parents try the strategy
- □Tell them they did wrong and not to do it again

- First describe the intervention -having the steps in writing is important
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# USING EVIDENCE BASED PRACTICES DURING DAILY ROUTINES



# Programs for young children with ASD should include the following

- Joint Attention
- Intentional Communication
- Imitation
- Beginning Play with Objects



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# JOINT ATTENTION INTERVENTIONS



## **Sample Child Outcomes**

- •Susie will look at mom or dad when they walk into the room
- Paige will respond to her name by coming to mom when she calls her name
- Danny will shift to look toward a sound, toy or person in his environment
- Zach will give eye contact when he needs something

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## **Joint Attention Interventions**

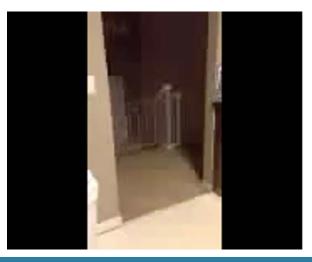
#### **Evidence Based Practice**

- Joint Attention Interventions
- Start with **Responding** to joint attention then move to **Initiating** joint attention
- Handouts

#### **Daily Routines**

- Play Time: Use preferred toys in order to get your child to shift (move their hand or tap on item)
- Play Time: Sabotage an activity so the child needs help- - Time delay for engagement
- Bath/dressing time- Peek a boo with towel
- **Mealtime** –hold bottle or sippy cup up by your eyes so child will give you a quick fleeting glance
- **Daily Routines-** -Call child's name to see if they look or come to you

# Responding to Name and "Come here"



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# Joint Attention: Response Training

- Level I- Response to hand on object
- Level 2- Response to object being tapped
- Level 3-Response to showing of an object
- Level 4- Eye contact
- Level 5- Following a point
- Level 6- Following a gaze

de la Cruz, Berenice. (2016)



# Joint Attention- Shifting to Tap During Play



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# Other Forms of Initiating-Active-Joint Attention

- Coordinated Gaze Shift- Showing with eye gaze
- Protodeclarative Pointing- showing or commenting
- Bringing an object for help
- Making choices
- Pointing to request
- Bringing an object to show

de la Cruz, Berenice. (2016)



# **Joint Attention Strategies**

- □"Spotlighting"
- □Time Delay
- Move the child's arm toward the new item
- □ Joint Line of Regard- Get in the Child's Line of Vision



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# FUNCTIONALLY EQUIVALENT REPLACEMENT BEHAVIORS

**Functional Communication** 



# **Teaching Functionally Equivalent Replacement Behaviors**

Behavior is communicative and purposeful! We can't just stop a behavior. We need to teach a replacement behavior to the student.

Functional Communication - Manding/Requesting

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## **Sample Child Outcomes**

- John will communicate his wants and needs at mealtimes and during other times of the day
- Sally will say single words for what she wants
- Molly will use a simple sign to ask for preferred snacks
- Brigid will say 2 or more words when asking for items
- Noah will go to mom to ask for toy or snack



# **Communication Manding/Requesting**

#### **Evidence Based Practice**

### Mand/Request Training

•Start with the child requesting most highly preferred items or activities

#### **Daily Routines**

- Requesting preferred items during meal-times
- Daily Activities: Asking for missing or needed item- need cup for favorite juice, need shoes to go outside
- Bath-times- Requesting favorite toys for parent or child to toss in tub
- Outside- Swing, wagon etc.

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## What is a Mand?

#### The Basic Principle:

#### Want it, say it, get it!

- Hungry, say banana, someone gives you a banana
- Need to open a door, ask for key, someone gives the key
- Lost, ask for directions, someone gives directions



## **Mand Forms**

#### Requesting/asking can take many forms:

- ☐ Speaking
- **□** Gestures
- ☐ Sign Language
- ☐ Picture Systems
- ☐ Various AAC devices (i-Pads, vocal output devices)

#### **Defective Mands** (Less pleasant form)

☐ Grabbing, screaming, climbing, hitting, self -injurious behavior, biting etc.



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# Caution... All Mands are NOT Created Equal

•These are general mands and are not specific enough!



PLEASE

- •When teaching first words-
  - teach specific nouns
- Approximations are great!!
- Then add words such as more and please



## Manding Procedure-Second Trial Transfer





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# **Manding-Natural Environment**

## **Manding During Daily Routines**

## Examples:

"fast" for pushing the truck

"open" when going through a door

"water" while washing hands



Manding in the Natural Environment (NET)



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# PIVOTAL RESPONSE TREATMENT



## **Pivotal Response Treatment**

- •PRT® targets pivotal areas of a child's development, such as:
  - motivation
  - responsivity to multiple cues
  - ·self-management
  - social initiations.

- Super Nanny uses PRT!
- The reinforcement is NATURAL
- The Reinforcement is CONTINGENT on a specific behavior
- Increase motivation by making the reinforcer MORE fun WITH you than it is alone

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# **ECHOIC TRAINING**



# **Echoic Training**

#### **Evidence Based Practice**

#### **Behavioral Interventions**

Echoic Training

#### **Daily Routine**

- Car Rides- Vocal play with child as you are riding in the car "Sally say go", "say moo", "say mmm" etc.
- Outside Play- -As you are playing add simple vocalizations for child to repeat (Wee, Zoom, up-up-up, Whoosh, go-go-go etc.)
- **Bedtime** -Repeat labels in a bedtimes story (dog, cat, truck, cow)

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COMPREHENSIVE BEHAVIORAL TREATMENT FOR YOUNG CHILDREN / EARLY INTENSIVE BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTION



## Comprehensive Behavioral Treatment for Young Children/ Early Intensive Behavioral Intervention

Applied Behavior Analysis: "The process of systematically applying interventions based upon the
principles of learning theory to improve socially significant behaviors to a meaningful degree"

(https://www.google.com/search?q=ABA&ie=utf-8&oe=utf-8, 2016.)

- Discrete Trial Training
- Incidental Teaching
- Errorless Learning
- Behavioral momentum
- Shaping
- Modeling
- Echoic Training
- Prompting and Repeated Practice



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# Sample Child Outcomes

- Molly will make more vocalizations and say simple words during the day
- Meg will follow simple directions
- John will play by himself for short periods of time
- Josh will play with toys in a coordinated way in the evening
- Molly will pay attention to adult
- Brady will respond quickly when adult talks to him



# Modeling- - Imitation

#### **Evidence Based Practice**

- Modeling-Imitation
- "Do This"
- I Do...You Do!!

#### **Daily Routine**

- Play Time
- Outside Play
- · Learning walk
- Bath time
- Transitions around the house
- Riding in the grocery store cart

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## Simple Discrete Trials

#### **Evidence Based Practice**

- Applied Behavior Analysis
- Simple Discrete Trials and-Object Sort:



#### **Daily Routine**

- Structured play time
- Sibling "Homework time"
- Evening play time

## **Great Place to Start with Early Learners**

- Difficulty with:
  - Sustained attention
  - Sitting
  - Following directions etc.
- Very Early Learner- not playing with objects, toys or interacting with other
- Begin with Context Controlled Responses



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# **Contextually Controlled Responses**

Our goal is for the instruction is to teach children to sit, attend to the adult and respond to directions given in a fun playful way!!

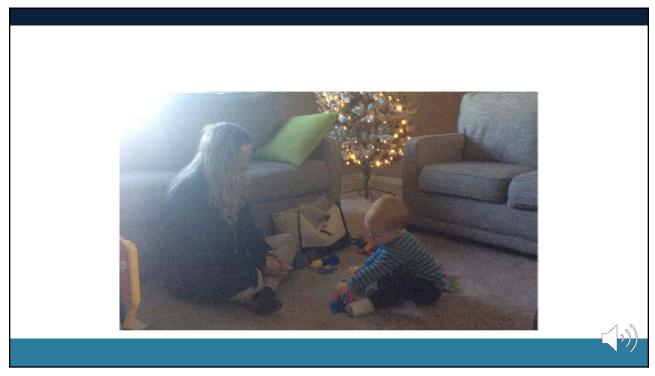
Ask child to "Do This" and model or give simple direction such as "put in"

- Push buttons
- Put things in
- Open/Close
- Taking items out (dumping)
- Push
- Give
- Tapping
- Roll
- □ Teacher or parent can be a SILENT shadow prompt partner behind the student if needed for engagement or for prompting





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# Polling Question #2

Context Controlled Responses are simple responses that happen due to a history of learning and the context of the materials??

- A) True
- False B)



## Polling Question #2 Answer

Context Controlled Responses are simple responses that happen due to a history of learning and the context of the materials??

- A) True
- B) False

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# Imitation and Simple Discrete Trial

### **Evidence Based Practice**

- •Simple Discrete Trial
- Imitation Training

### **Daily Activities**

- Play Time
- Bath time
- Outside play
- •"Work-time"
- Meal time

## **Sample Child Outcomes**

- Taylor will play babies with her cousins
- John will play with animals with his brother
- Emma will cooperate when getting dressed
- •Gracie will put a tooth brush in her mouth when mom shows her
- •Emma will use a washcloth after mom demonstrates



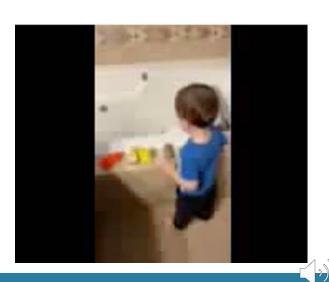
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## **Sample Child Outcomes**

- ·Susie will sit to do an activity
- Maggie will play with toys in a variety of ways
- Brady will watch (little brother or parent) and do what they do with toys
- John will sit at the table with the family
- Joey will recognize names of a variety of items in the home in order to follow directions







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# Polling Question #3

Discrete Trials can only be done at a table and are not fun??

- A) True
- B) False



# Polling Question #3 Answer

Discrete Trials can only be done at a table and are not fun??

- A) True
- B) False

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# Simple Discrete Trials--Teaching Beginning Object Play

- Find a less distracting area to sit with you child
  - •Rug on the floor
  - ·Small table
  - •Smaller space or corner of room





## **Object Based Play ...Simple Imitation**

- 1. Gain the child's attention and give the simple instruction "do this" as you model a simple action with an object. Do NOT verbalize the instruction (i.e. "do this, push car")
- 2. Help them by providing a prompt (usually handover hand for our little ones)
- 3. Reinforce immediately!!



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## Imitation... Play, Motor and Natural Environment

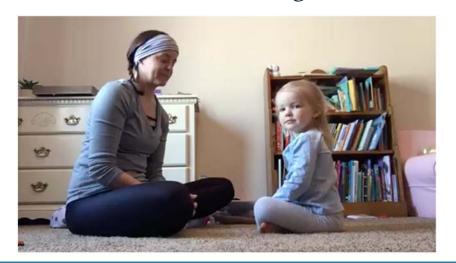
- Place block in bucket
- Ring bells
- Push toy car
- Walk animal
- Feed doll
- Roll play-doh
- Bang toy hammer
- Stir food
- Stack 2 blocks
- Put hat on head
- Put animal in truck
- Pound play-doh

- Jump
- Clap
- Tap table
- Arms up
- Stomp feet
- Fine motor actions- sign for "Cracker"
- Wipe face with cloth
- · Put toothbrush in mouth
- Put toy in box
- Put cup in sink
- Wash hands





# Simple Motor Imitation- Getting Dressed



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Target Mands	Daily Routine	Planned Opportunity/Skill	Check- off
Juice     Cheerios     Ball	Wake-up Routine	Echoics Vocal Play     Imitation	
Target Imitation: "Do This"  Hand up Toothbrush in mouth Throw ball	Breakfast	Manding-Requesting     Juice     Cheerios	
Other Targets Receptive-  Touch nose  Put in	Car Ride	EchoicsVocal Play     Receptive Directions-     **touch nose, touch tummy, touch eyes)     Simple Fill-in     **Wheels on the	
Echoic: "Say" • "Hi" • "All done"	Outside Time	<ul> <li>Imitation- "Do this" with toys</li> <li>Manding -for ball</li> <li>Echoic -Say "hi" to neighbor</li> </ul>	

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR YOU!!



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## Conclusion

Providers of young children with Autism should consider three things:

- 1. Determine specific individualized outcomes for the child's educational plan
- 2. Determine the family's daily routines that will lend to working on specific child outcomes
- 3. Determine Evidence Based Practices that will be most effective to teach to the child's outcomes during daily routines

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# Some Additional Information for you!!

Additional information on the following....

- Story Base Interventions
- Scripting
- Antecedent Intervention (schedules and other visuals)
- Reinforcement
- Play box ideas for early learners

#### Handouts:

- Joint attention
- Providing Communication and Language Opportunities
- Blank embedding opportunities during daily routines sheet

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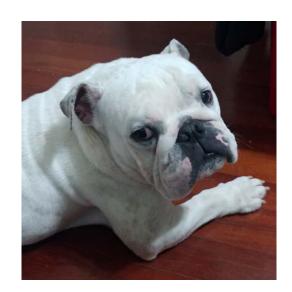
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### Additional Tri-State Webinars

- Autism in Early Childhood (4-part series)
- Autism and the Very Young Child
- Communication: A Vital Tool to Student Success Part 1: Teaching Manding (Requesting). - -2 Parts
- Pivotal Response Treatment- (2 Parts)
- Sensible Sleep Strategies
- Picky Eaters- 2 part series (strategies in part 2)
- Overcoming Daily Drama
- Toilet Training for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders

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**Any Questions??** 



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