

TROUBLESHOOTING

- Fear of the bathroom:
 - Pair bathroom with pleasant experiences
- Fear of sitting on toilet:
 - Use step-stool or toilet ring to stabilize child
 - Direct learner's attention to preferred task
- Repeated flushing:
 - Use picture cues that indicate only one flush
- Negative reaction to underwear:
 - Place diapers over underwear and gradually cut away parts of diaper
 - Start with wearing underwear for a short time and increase gradually
 - Try very soft brand underwear
 - Have child choose underwear related to special interest area
- Will not urinate in the toilet:
 - Increase fluid intake prior to toileting session
 - Use the bladder control techniques
 - Intensive training may be necessary if behaviors are occurring
 - Have child remain on toilet until they are relaxed enough to allow urination
- Will not have a bowel movement in the toilet:
 - Provide regular diet, exercise, and fluids
 - Relieve any anxiety or fear by reading stories or explaining the digestive system
- Sensory Concerns
 - Smearing feces, toilet paper resistance, hand-washing resistance.
 - Use visual cues for each step
 - Choose textures child will accept (flushable wipes, vary brands of paper)
 - Use hand sanitizer rather than soap

- Adjust water temperature for acceptance
- Regression
 - Identify possible causes
 - Heavily reinforce steps which have regressed