

# **Presentations For Early Childhood Professionals**

## **Managing Challenging Behaviors In Young Children**

Teachers and child care providers are expressing growing concerns about challenging behaviors in their classrooms. Children often exhibit challenging behaviors when they don't have the skills needed to display more appropriate behaviors. This presentation will offer strategies for child care and school settings that can help with the behaviors that are most challenging.

## **Building Healthy Parent-Teacher Relationships**

Just as parents and teachers share responsibility for educating a child, they also share the responsibility for developing a relationship that promotes the child's wellbeing and provides a basis for success. This presentation shares ideas that teachers can use to communicate more effectively with parents.

## **Teaching Children a Vocabulary of Emotions**

The ability to understand and regulate one's feelings is essential as a child grows into a healthy, well-adjusted adult. Children who have a large vocabulary of "feeling words" can better express their emotions using language rather than problem behaviors. This presentation will equip adults to help children identify, understand and express emotions in healthy ways.

## **What Early Childhood Educators Need To Know About Divorce**

Early childhood educators often experience the impact separation and divorce has on children. The classroom can provide comfort and a stable environment during a time of great change. This presentation will discuss how divorce affects children and offer suggestions on how to provide needed support.

## **Age-Appropriate Sexual Behavior in Children**

Sexual development and sexual play are natural and healthy processes in children. In an age when childhood sexual abuse and victimization is increasingly on our minds, it is important for caretakers to distinguish between age-appropriate and age-inappropriate sexual behavior.

## **Play Therapy Skills**

Play is not only critical for a child's development, it also has healing abilities. Come learn the basic tenants of play therapy in a fun session developed for professionals caring for young children. Learn how to incorporate play skills and therapeutic language into working with children.

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