

BUILDING CARING RELATIONSHIPS IN FAMILY CHILDCARE

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PRESENTERS:

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The Importance of Relationships

- ❖ The quality of the infant/parent or infant/caregiver relationship is based on the quality of the attachment.
- ❖ Relationships are the basis of all learning.
- ❖ Without proper attachment the developing child will not reach his or her full potential.

Provider and Parent Relationship

- ❖ The provider/parent relationship greatly impacts the child.
- ❖ The importance of understanding each other's expectations.
- ❖ Building a continuing partnership with parents.
- ❖ Good relationship skills are key.

Provider and Child Relationship

- ❖ There is great opportunity for intimacy within caregiving routines.
- ❖ Providers can use language to build a special bond with each child.
- ❖ Caregivers can promote greater intimacy by understanding the children's stages of development.
- ❖ Familiarity develops when the provider meets the individual needs of each child.

Child and Child Relationships

- ❖ Children learn from other children what they cannot learn from adults.
- ❖ Provide a safe emotional and physical environment.

Environment

- ❖ The environment includes the physical set up, routines, schedule, curriculum, emotional climate and provider attitude.
- ❖ Building a physical environment that says yes.
- ❖ The emotional climate is the most important part of the environment.
- ❖ Building trust with routines, schedules and curriculum.

Mixed Age Grouping

- ❖ Group encounters help promote socialization.
- ❖ Recognize all children's feelings.
- ❖ Involve each child in the role of caring for others.

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