



Wraparound Services and Parenting Reactive Attachment Disordered Children

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Preface

The manual was formulated from the State of Pennsylvania's guidelines for "The Implementation of Therapeutic Staff Support (TSS)" Services. "Common Treatment Goals and Potential TSS Interventions" were consulted and expanded to conform to the specific requirements of a family with a child having Reactive Attachment Disorder (RAD). All interventions are a merger of the state guidelines, primary clinician (i.e. attachment therapist), therapeutic parents, and mental health professionals. This comprehensive approach has the potential for positive outcomes for the troubled family.

**Our desire is to
provide the tools
for committed
parents and the
Wraparound
program to
facilitate healing
RAD children**

The manual is a product of two, intense years of therapeutic parenting combined with an extremely flexible and effective TSS. Those years became a testing ground for all methods of therapeutic parenting. The stakes were high due to our son's age and severity of his disorder. We combed through every resource, attended conferences and consulted with many professionals to find effective approaches to parent an emotionally disturbed teenager. The most useful have been compiled to guide others along this traumatic journey.

Our journey began eight years ago, when a lonely nine year old boy joined our family. Overwhelming darkness and pain encompassed our lives. We had no comfort. Reactive Attachment disorder was the demon ruling our home. The turning point began two years ago when we assembled the components of a therapeutic team to enable our son to have the environment in which to heal.

Recommended Resources

<p>Therapeutic Parenting</p>	<p>Nancy Thomas</p> <p>Book: <u>When Love is not Enough</u></p> <p>Audio: <u>Healing Trust: Rebuilding the Broken Bond</u></p> <p>Video: <u>Rebuilding the Broken Bond</u></p> <p>Dr. Ronald S. Federici</p> <p>Book: <u>Help for the Hopeless Child</u></p> <p>Foster Cline and Jim Fay</p> <p>Books, audio and video tapes: <u>Parenting with Love and Logic Series</u></p> <p>Materials by: Richard Delaney, Holly Van Gulden, Deborah Hage, Frank Kunstall, Nancy Spoolstra</p> <p>Dr. Becky Bailey</p> <p>Book: <u>I Love You Rituals</u> (attachment activities)</p>
<p>Reactive Attachment Disorder</p>	<p>Dan Hughes</p> <p>Book: <u>Facilitating Developmental Attachment</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Building the Bonds of Attachment</u></p> <p>Geagory Keck and Regina Kepecky</p>

	<p>Book: <u>Adopting the Hurt Child</u></p> <p>Terry Levy and Michael Orlans</p> <p>Book: <u>Attachment, Trauma, and Healing</u></p>
Developmental Milestones	<p>Materials by: Dr. T. Berry Brazelton, Dr. Stanley I. Greenspan</p>