Outline

Students with Mental Health Issues

- Characteristics of at-risk students' mental health problems
- Mental health issues vs. intentionally disruptive behaviors
- · How skill deficits from mental health issues create behavioral difficulties

Strategies for ODD and Conduct Disorder Behaviors

- Choices everyone can live with
- What adults should never say, but usually do
- · Arguments with defiant kids
- Getting to the core issues of ODD
- Kids who don't feel bad
- School-wide management program

Strategies for ADHD

- Decrease impulsive behaviors with what YOU do
- Drawing out the behaviors you want
- Decrease disruption to other students
- Know the accompanying behaviors
- Techniques to self-regulate

Strategies for ASD

- It's all about social skills growth
- Sensory solutions
- Self-regulation techniques for ASD
- Most misinterpreted behaviors
- Manage high interest areas
- Move them past "kid cop" behaviors

Strategies for Anxiety

- What to do about separation anxiety
- Help their panic attack pass quickly
- School phobia...not always a fear of school
- Compromises that work
- Deep breathing and relaxation techniques

Strategies for Depression

- School-wide program to promote compassions and a supportive culture
- Getting them past their sense of helplessness
- When they think they have nothing to
- Goal oriented plans for schoolwork and school day

Strategies for Other Challenging Behaviors

- Cutting and self-injury: What you really need to know to effectively intervene
- Electronic addiction: Which kids are most susceptible and why
- Psychotropic medication side-effects vs. behavioral issues
- Electronic bullying: What adults tell kids that fuels the problem

Disciplining the Special Needs Child/Adolescent

- How IDEA relates to discipline
- Rules for disciplining special education students
- Techniques for positive behavior support
- "Pro-social" punishments

Strategies for the IEP Team

- Functional behavioral assessment simplified
- Facts and data to make tactical decisions
- Effective collaboration among educators and clinicians
- · What most administrators do that burn out their staff
- What to do about non cooperative/ reluctant parents

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- Side-effects of common psychotropic medications
- How skill deficits from mental health conditions create behavioral difficulties
- Characteristics of at-risk students' mental health problems
- Strategies to gain collaboration with clinicians

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Speaker

Sophia Ansari, LPCC, treats mental health issues in children and adolescents and has spent much of her career working with school systems to facilitate improved behavior and academic performance for students by identifying strategies that work in the classroom and helping teachers and staff put them into action. Her experience and specialization involve working with Autism Spectrum Disorder, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, Oppositional Defiant Disorder, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, bipolar disorders, anxiety disorders, depressive disorders, attachment disorders, adjustment disorders as well as substance use and addictive disorders.

The coordinator for the Midwest Play Therapy Institute-Chicago, Sophia provides workshops on play therapy to mental health professionals and educates teachers on the importance of play as it relates to development and learning in the school setting. She is a passionate research trainer who has bridged her knowledge of neuroscience and creative therapies to provide in-depth, highly experiential trainings at local and national events and conferences.

Sophia earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Wright State University and her Master of Arts in Mental Health Counseling from the University of Cincinnati. She is a member of the Association for Play Therapy and the Illinois Counseling Association.

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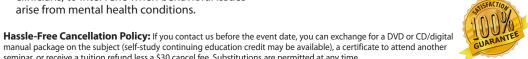
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- Articulate how behavioral-driven choices differ from mental health-driven behaviors and characterize how these differences inform your choice of intervention.
- Communicate the effective uses of medications and potential side effects that can appear as misbehaviors.
- Implement various school-based strategies, used in collaboration with community clinicians, to intervene when behavioral issues arise from mental health conditions.
- Determine effective positive behavior support strategies to successfully discipline the special needs child.
- · Discriminate how IDEA relates to mental health issues and discipline.
- Apply communication techniques that create a climate for success inside and outside the classroom.



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