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Navigating Safe Therapies: Signs that your therapy provider uses ABA and/or methods that aren't Neurodiversity-Affirming

Look for these buzz phrases! If the advertising or the therapist uses them, it's probably ABA.



- "1:1 therapist follows your child all day long!"
- Autism Spectrum Disorder Treatment
- "Assigned licensed BCBA's supervising RBTs"
- Antecedents, Behavior, Consequences
- "Autism Intervention"
- "Autism Warriors"
- "Data collection"
- "Design behavior support plans"
- "Desensitization"
- "Discrimination Training"
- "Errorless Learning, Errorless Teaching"
- "Extinguish Behavior"
- FBA (Functional Behavior Assessment)
- "Fluency Building" (teach specific elements of behavior over and over again until the behavior becomes fluent)
- "Founded by an Autism Mom"
- "Help brain function in a normal way"
- Help Your Child Reach Their Maximum Potential
- "Incidental Teaching"
- "Increase connection"
- "Increase Eye contact"
- "Increase tolerance skills"
- "Intensive behavioral intervention"
- "Motivational-based, Naturalistic"
- "Play-based early learner autism treatment program"
- "Positive Behavior Support"
- "Positive Reinforcement"
- "Redirect behavior"
- "Reduce challenging behaviors"
- "Reduce symptoms"
- "Reduction of problem behaviors"
- "Restore connection"
- "Shaping and reinforcing"
- "Social skills training, social skills intervention"
- "Task completion compliance"
- "Unlock their capabilities"
- Whole Body Listening

These therapies do not meet Therapist Neurodiversity Collective standards for empathetic & respectful therapy practices

- Classroom Pivotal Response Treatment (cPRT)
- Discrete Trial Training (DTT)
- Early Intensive Behavioral Intervention (EIBI)®
- Early Start Denver Model (ESDM)®
- Enhanced Milieu Teaching (EMT)
- Functional Communication Training (FCT)
- Incidental Teaching (IT)
- Intensive Behavioral Intervention (IBI)
- Joint Attention, Symbolic Play, Engagement and Regulation (JASPER)
- Natural Language Paradigm (NLP)®
- Naturalistic Developmental Behavioral Interventions (NDBI)
- Picture Exchange Communication System (PECS)®
- Pivot Response Treatment (PRT)®
- Positive Behavior Support (PBS)
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)®
- Project DATA (Developmentally Appropriate Treatment for Autism in Toddlers)
- Project ImPACT (Improving Parents as Communication Partners)
- Relationship Development Intervention (RDI)®
- Social ABC's Social Thinking®
- The Lovaas Approach®
- The PEERS® Program Verbal Behavior (VB)®
- VB-MAPP®

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