

Parent-Child Interaction Training Program

The goal of Parent-Child Interaction Training is to teach parents of children from 2 to 7 years, how to build a warm and mutually rewarding relationship with their child, to teach their child desirable pro-social behaviors and to decrease their child's inappropriate behaviors.

This program was designed for the treatment of a broad range of behavioral disorders in pre-school or early primary school age children. The treatment program is a short-term intervention approach, approximately 12 weeks in length. The program utilizes modeling, role-playing and coaching of parents to help them master specialized skills that have been shown to be effective for managing severe behavior problems in young children. This program incorporates both the behavioral and the relationship enhancement approach.

This therapy is conducted within the context of natural play situations between a parent and child. This setting is particularly important because play is the primary medium through which young children learn new skills and work through developmental problems.