# **Outline**

## **Considerations to Improve Your Diagnostic Accuracy When Treating Children with Anxiety**

Role of Development

Therapeutic Setting

Clinical Interviews with young children

Avoidant behavior

Children 0-2

Helpful therapeutic aids

"Get down on the floor"

#### **Strategies for Therapeutic Flexibility**

Gain rapport, read what needs to happen

When parents should and shouldn't stay

Discussing sensitive information

When to request separate session with parents:

Rookie mistakes

# **Behavior Management Techniques -Foundational Principles**

Objectives

Types of attention and how they help or inhibit parental control

Essential techniques to avoid Essential techniques to include

# **Strategies for Differential** Diagnoses in Children: Anxiety or a Symptom of Something Else?

Anxiety

Healthy Developmental Trajectory

Adult versus Childhood Anxiety

Translating Research-Based Calming **Techniques to Other Settings** 

Adjustment disorders

Generalized Anxiety Disorder

Panic

ADHD

Can be diagnosed at four years of age, but should it be?

Hyperactivity trajectory Inattention trajectory

Is ADHD really an attention deficit?

#### Encopresis

What is it - Why you need to Know

Other toileting difficulties

Genetic predisposition to constipation/ constipation in infancy

Toileting refusal

Stool withholding

**Sensory Processing Deficits** 

The immature neurological system

World as sandpaper - sensory processing issues to consider

**Learning Difficulties** 

Dyslexia

Dysgraphia

Dyscalculia

ADHD

#### **Advanced Cognitive Ability**

Aggression in highly intelligent children Intellectually eccentric child

# Rave reviews from parents:

What Dr. Bostwick told us to do, worked like magic!

Fixing my child's constipation, eliminated the anxiety.

The discipline plan she taught us makes so much sense - We have our kid back!

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- Is it anxiety, or something else New clues to help move kids forward in therapy
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# **Objectives**

- 1. Apply developmental principles to aid in differentiating appropriate courses of action for assessing anxiety and difficult behavior in children.
- 2. Integrate traditional clinical interview techniques with developmentally based applications.
- 3. Consider the diagnostic benefits of creating a developmentally informed office environment when working with children.
- 4. Differentiate common discipline practices used by parents from research-based behavior management techniques.
- 5. Assess overlooked diagnostic clues to help treatment resistant anxiety and behavior disruptions.
- 6. Evaluate alternative explanations for bewildering childhood anxiety and behavior disorders.

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# Speaker

Dr. Christi Bostwick, Ph.D., is a developmental and child psychologist and parenting expert with over 25 years of experience in treating children and adolescents. Dr. Bostwick specializes in co-occurring behavioral concerns in children and adolescents often produced as a result of learning differences, sensory deficits, and toileting concerns. Dr. Bostwick's eclectic and conversational approach draws heavily from her background in developmental and family systems research and practice.

Dr. Bostwick is in private practice at The Talk Doctor in Northfield, MN. She serves as an adjunct instructor at her alma mater. St. Olaf College. Dr. Bostwick has also been an adjunct instructor at The University of Kansas in Lawrence, Kansas and Rockhurst University in Kansas City, Missouri. She has taught introductory and clinical psychology courses to a variety of undergraduates and supervised post-doctoral students. She wrote a children's book titled, Blankie Bits, which was a 2014 finalist in the Indie Book Awards. Dr. Bostwick also provides parenting basics on her blog PhD4kids.com and has contributed to several online news providers including the Huffington Post.

Dr. Bostwick earned her BA at St. Olaf College and her Ph.D. at The University of Kansas, Dr. Bostwick completed a clinical child psychology internship and fellowship at The Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City, Missouri. She has spent her entire career either working within medical practices or partnering with community medical professionals to provide integrative care.

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