# **Outline**

#### Why Not Medication?

- Useful as a short-term tool
- Concerns with long-term use: Effects on the brain

#### ADHD and the "Immature" Brain

- Brain imaging evidence of ADHD
- Research regarding ADHD brain development
- · Frontal lobes mature more slowly in the ADHD brain
- Excess theta brainwaves
- Implications for treatment

#### **Movement-Based Strategies**

- Wake up an undergroused ADHD brain
- Hyperactivity as an adaptive mechanism
- · The impact of play and exercise on
- · Role of rhythm and timing training
- Integrated movement systems for ADHD

## Frontal Lobe/Working Memory **Strategic Tools**

- Use it or lose it: Increase memory, attention and focus
- Games for impulse control and working memory
- Computerized cognitive training programs
- · Meditation and mindfulness for ADHD
- Neurofeedback

#### **Diet and Nutrition**

- The impact of sugars, fats, proteins and
- Diet and dopamine
- Omega 3-6-9: What you need to know for brain health
- Multivitamins/minerals: Do they make a difference?
- Gluten, food additives and pesticides

## **ADHD and Nervous System** Overstimulation

- "Overaroused" subtype of ADHD
- Stress, anxiety and ADHD: the connection
- Breathwork and movement for nervous system calming
- Heart rate variability biofeedback
- · Art therapy techniques to quiet and focus the brain

#### **Environmental Influences**

- Video games and Social Media
- Sleep deprivation
- Same symptoms as ADHD
- Strategies to help insomnia
- Environmental toxins: lead, phthalates, pollution
- The impact of time in nature on **ADHD** symptoms

#### Limitations of the Research and **Potential Risks**

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# **Objectives**

- 1. Evaluate the relationship between the frontal lobe of the brain and ADHD symptomology for the purpose of client psychoeducation.
- 2. Determine the impact of movement and exercise on the reduction of ADHD symptoms as it relates to assessment and treatment planning.
- 3. Employ treatment interventions for improving impulse control and working memory
- 4. Analyze the influence of diet and nutrition on ADHD symptoms in relation to assessment and treatment planning.
- 5. Develop clinical strategies to calm the nervous system of clients diagnosed with ADHD.
- 6. Assess the clinical implications of environmental influences on ADHD symptoms in clients.

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