



CREATING THERAPEUTIC FAMILY BASED CARE

PREPARING FAMILIES TO PROVIDE QUALITY CARE



- Continuous Recruitment
- Carer Screening
 - Attitudes, beliefs, values
- Assessment of family and on-going supports needed to be successful
- Training
- 'Stickability'



SUPPORT TO FAMILIES



WHEN FOSTER FAMILIES FEEL SUPPPORTED THEY ARE MORE LIKELY TO KEEP FOSTERING AND HAVE A POSITIVE ATTITUDE ABOUT FOSTERING.



SUPPORTING CARERS TO CREATE SAFETY FOR CHILDREN



- Fostered children need a predictable, consistent environment in order to feel safe
- Foster carers need to exercise control over their own feelings
- Provide emotional support by engaging the child
- Most valuable tool carers have to intervene is themselves
- Model Acceptance & Caring
- Need to belong
- Support & Embrace the child's identity

CHILD AND YOUTH PARTICIPATION STRATEGY



- *Complaints Processes*
- *Care Planning*
- *Children and Young People's Forums*
- *Recruitment*
- *Training*
- *Exit Interviews*
- *Consultation and Feedback*
- *Retreats/camps/international events*

THE CARE TEAM





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