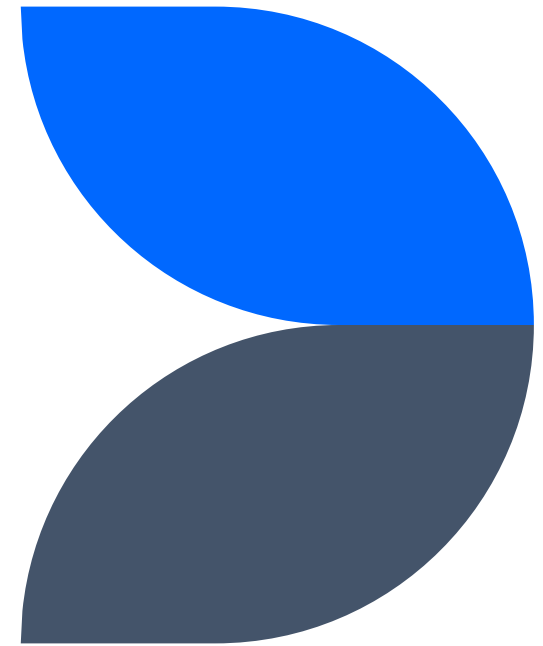


Parental Acceptance of Medications

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Agenda

Introduction

Developing rapport

Parental concerns

Working collaboratively towards solutions

Timing

Developing Rapport

- Satisfaction with providers is highly variable
- First impressions matter!



Parental Concerns



- Why does my child need medication?
- What about therapy?
- Are these safe?
- Won't these make my child suicidal?



Working Collaboratively Towards Solutions

- Emphasize a collaborative approach, not a directive one
- Listen to the family's experiences
- Offer options to emphasize their role
- LISTEN and be flexible!



Timing

- No need to rush/pressure
- Offer the ability to take time to think



Summary

We are in a unique position to effect change in the lives of children and families. For this to be most successful, it is essential to have a good working relationship with parents (ideally from the time of the first appointment).

Thank you!

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