



### Prohibited Practices

What they are and what to do about them when they have happened

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#### Housekeeping



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- Participants and those who registered will receive the PowerPoint and the recording
- Put all questions/comments in the chat box and we will acknowledge and address them throughout the presentation



### Module Outline

Module 1: Prohibited Practices Refresher

Module 2: Considerations When Seeking Help

Module 3: Increasing Rudimentary Communication

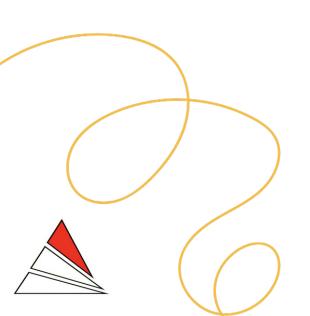
Module 4: General Approach to Fading Prohibited Practices





### MODULE 4

**General Approach to Fading Prohibited Practices** 



# General Approach to Fading Prohibited Practices Module 4

- Why fade and not just stop cold turkey?
- Caveats about the need for effective treatment
- Steps to fade



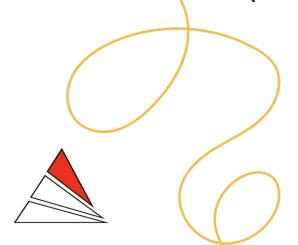


#### Fading VS JUST STOPPING

- For the Individual, Staff and the Community
  - Determine the risk of continuing the prohibited practice for the..
  - Determine the risk of immediately ceasing the prohibited practice for the ...
  - We slowly fade out prohibited practices when immediately removing it would create significantly more risk to the ..

All prohibited practices must be discontinued

- Define the current situation
- Define the end goal
- Plan small steps that everyone can agree on to go from current situation to goal situation
- Define objective criteria on when steps will happen and follow
- Take data (and review)



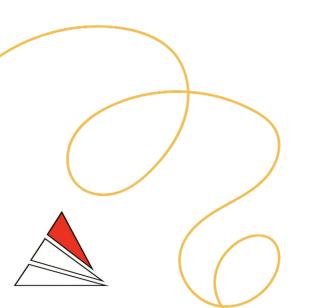


### General Steps to Fade Prohibited

#### **Practices**

- Define the current situation
  - What is the problem behavior that the prohibited practice being used to address?
    - How often is the problem behavior happening?
    - Are there times of day or specific situations that make problem behaviors more likely?
    - Is the prohibited practice in place constantly (i.e., 24/7) or only under certain conditions (what are those conditions?)

- Define the current situation
  - What are skills the person needs to develop/demonstrate in order to be safe?
    - Does the person already know the skill?
    - If not, who will teach the skill?
  - This may be where clinical services come in





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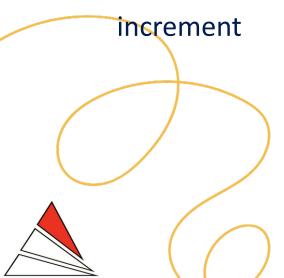
#### **Practices**

- Define the End Goal
  - Ultimate goal is that the prohibited practices is discontinued
  - What does success look like for the individual?
    - Problem behavior shouldn't worsen and ideally remain at a low level
    - Skill behavior should increase or remain at a high level



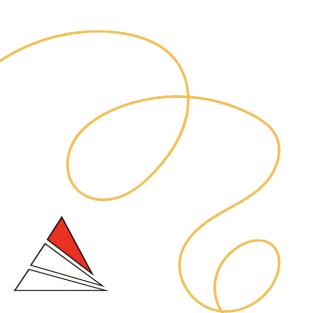


- Agree to Small Steps
  - What is an increment of change that the planning team can agree on?
  - Should be large enough change to demonstrate meaningful progress toward discontinuing prohibited practice but small enough increment to maintain safety
  - Current Situation data should drive the decision of the





- Agree to Small Steps
  - Examples
    - Reduction of hours prohibited practice is in place by 1 hour
    - Reduction of harness point by 1 point
    - Introduction of prevention step and waiting 2 minutes
       before turning off power wheelchair





How do We Get From Current Situation to the Goal

#### **CURRENT SITUATION**

- LOCKS ENABLED 24 HOURS PER DAY
- Home/ISL
- Elopement
  - Occurs 5/7 evenings a week
  - Length of Time ranges from 15 minutes to 2 hours
- What Happens
  - Gets to leave the situation
    - Goes to the hospital
      - 3 hours to 3 days
  - Gets attention
    - Emergency service personnel
      - 30 minutes to 2 hours
    - Mom
    - Support Coordinator

#### GOAL

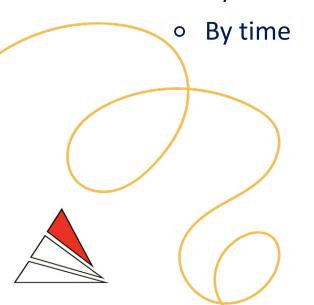
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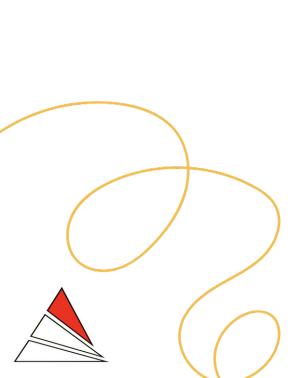


- How do We Get From Current Situation to Goal
  - Where do we start the fading?
    - Certain locations? Times? With certain staff/family?
      - Location (at home, in kitchen, in room, in community)
      - By specific support (SC, lead worker teaching skill during baseline, paraprofessionals)
      - By shifts





- How do We Get From Current Situation to Goal
  - Where do we start the fading?
    - Key points:
      - What is the smallest possible step?
        - Start with the step that would require the less effort of client and is highly reinforcing
        - Identify the one specific activity/location where the individual has demonstrated consistent, safe success.

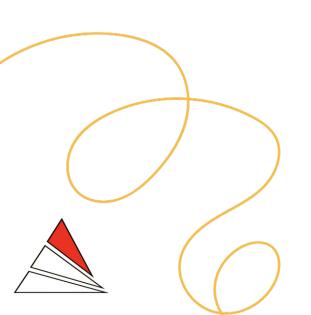




#### General Steps to Fade Prohibited

#### **Practices**

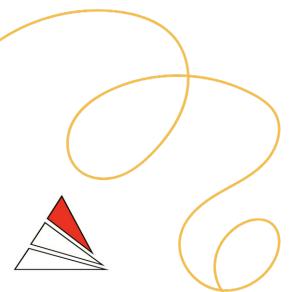
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  - Where do we start the fading?
    - Key points:
      - Over what period of time?
        - So slow the person may not notice the change?





- How do We Get From Current Situation to Goal
  - Mary's Fading Plan:
    - Key Places to Start:
    - Time/Shift: During the day remove the locks-According to data she is eloping in the evenings. (5/7 days)
    - During the day Staff should work on the Goal of Mary informing staff when she'd like to take a walk.

- Define Objective Criteria
  - Decide under what conditions you will advance the fade step
  - Should be objective i.e., you know it when you see it and doesn't require a meeting to discuss whether people feel like the step should be taken
  - Should include a period of stability to maintain safety
  - Should include plan for if things become unstable



- Define Objective Criteria
  - Examples:
    - Door Locks will be decrease 1 hour following 3 days in which elopement attempts remained at or below current levels.
    - If elopement attempts increase, the team will return to the previous door lock duration,
    - Meet as a team to problem-solve barriers and make adjustments,
    - Resume fade plan (potentially moving in smaller increments if necessary)





- Take Data and Review It
  - Data should be collected on (at minimum)
    - Use of prohibited practice
    - Occurrences of problem behavior
    - Occurrences of skill behavior
    - Whether the fade step was executed as designed
  - This provides a way to track progress and demonstrate success
  - Data should be used during team meetings to evaluate progress and problem solve barriers



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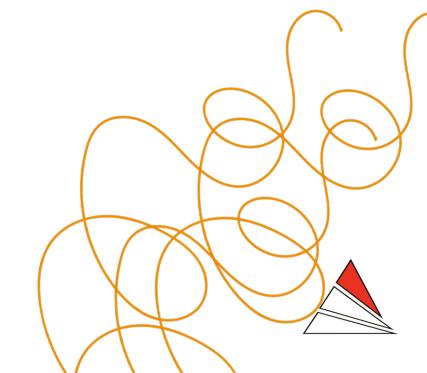
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# QUESTIONS & ANSWERS



# Next Steps

Workshops, Consultation & Action Planning



#### Tier III Prohibited Practice Trainings

For the Prohibited Practice Modules

Modules 1 & 2 3.11.2024 9-11

Module 3 3.18.2024 1:30-3:30

Module 4 3.21.2024 9-11

	BSRC 🔲 Prohibited	Practices			ther Specify:	
Organization:	Individual:		1	MH ID:		
AGENCY TEAM:	ABA/ISC:	ABA/ISC:			Dates recommendations and action planning sent to team:	
					Date of Plan	and Revision Dates:
Notes:						
IMPLEMENTATION				EVALUATION		
What Needs to be Done?	Person Responsible	By When?	n? Status/Date Indi		Evidence cates this ogress	How and When Will Evidence Be Gathered?
Action Steps for recommendation 1:						

Example of an Action Plan
Template

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