Mentoring Pairs for Child Care

Module 3 Mentoring and Facilitation Practices Theory to Practice Study Group











"I have had mentors over the years, and they have been invaluable. They have helped me prepare for opportunities" (Rice, n.d.).



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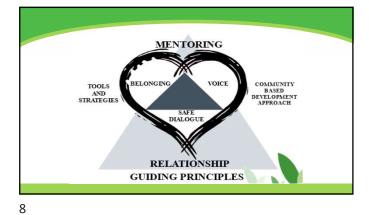
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Curriculum Objectives

- Define mentoring and how it supports the early learning field.
- Understand how facilitation practices will enhance team dynamics.
- Apply knowledge and skills to facilitate use of mentoring and facilitation practices with self, mentoring partner, and colleagues.











"I think the greatest thing we give each other is encouragement...knowing that I'm talking to someone in this mentoring relationship who's interested in the big idea here is very, very important to me. I think if it were just about helping me get to the next step, it would be a heck of a lot less interesting" (Sweeney, n.d.).

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Facilitation Guidelines

Balance

- Process
- Understand
- Reaction
- Answers and Solutions

• Truth

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Group Dynamics

- Forming
- Norming
- Storming
- Performing
- Adjourning

Facilitation Tips

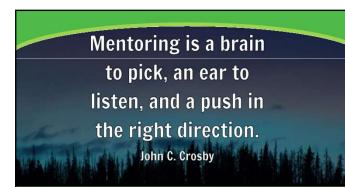
• Stand

• Encourage

• Avoid

• **K**eep

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Theorists Linked to Adult Development

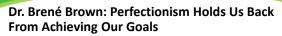
• Katz

- Howell
- Fessler & Christensen

Reflection

 What do you see as the role of facilitation within the mentoring pair relationship?

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Real Goals

- Relevant
- Experimental
- Aspirational
- Learning-based



what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.

Coaching Dialogue

The coach may assist, but never leads or does more than the recipient. Therefore, a coach cannot and does not promise that recipient will achieve any identified goals.

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MPCC is designed to build a mentoring culture. Within that culture members ...

...support and recognize each other

... are reflective practitioners

 \ldots exercise honour, respect, and modesty

... engage in continuous growth and learning

How can we enhance our mentoring and facilitation practices?

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Pair Action Planning

- Share your goals for the module with your pair partner
- Action plan for your time and connections together in-person, via email, by telephone, virtual gathering, etc.
- Consider any resources you would like to share with others

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Session Wrap-up & Next Steps

The Virtual Classroom

- Check out the discussion board
- Review supporting resources
- Explore the supplementary reading list
- Post resources for sharing
- Track your time
- Complete evaluations