## 7 KEY SOLUTION-FOCUSED STRATEGIES

- 1. Identifying strengths in a problem situation
  - What's happening?
  - What is the impact of the problem on the client-family?
  - What would the client like to change?
- 2. Exploring past successes
  - What has the client tried and how is it working?
- 3. Finding and using exceptions to the problem
  - When is the problem not happening or is less severe; how come?
- 4. Facilitating a positive vision of the future
  - Miracle Question & Follow-up
- 5. Scaling questions
  - Scaling requirements for movement (confidence; commitment)
- 6. Encouraging commitment
  - Compliments and suggestions
- 7. Developing Action Steps