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Episode 13 : Supporting Workers

Summary of Episode:

Beth Tarleton believes that workers need to be empowered to do their job. She talks about her orientation has always been to look for new ways to train, infuse knowledge and support the workers who support the parents.

Biography:

Beth Tarleton is a senior lecturer at the University of Bristol. She is part of the Norah Fry Centre for Disability Studies within the School for Policy Studies. Beth has been researching positive support for parents with learning disabilities (intellectual disabilities) and milder learning difficulties since 2005. Beth's work provided examples of positive practice included in the English Good Practice Guidance on Working with Parents with a Learning Disability. Beth is co-ordinator of the Working Together with Parents Network which shares positive practice about working with parents with a learning disability/difficulty.

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References:

Articles

Tarleton, B. (2012). Crossing no man's land: a specialist support service for parents with learning disabilities. *Child & Family Social Work - Wiley Online Library*

Finding the Right support report: rightsupport.pdf (www.bristol.ac.uk)

FINAL 2021 WTPN UPDATE OF THE GPG.pdf (www.bristol.ac.uk). The policy context been updated twice since the original, but the same examples are included. It was endorsed by the president of the family division (court)

Tarleton, B., Turney, D. Understanding 'Successful Practice/s' with Parents with Learning Difficulties when there are Concerns about Child Neglect: the Contribution of Social Practice Theory. *Child Ind Res* 13, 387–409 (2020). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12187-019-09682-y>

Resources

For more information on Beth's Publications: [Beth Tarleton – Research Outputs – University of Bristol](#)

The Special Interest Research Group on Parents and Parenting with Intellectual Disabilities was founded in 1996 at an international conference in Denmark which was organized by the Danish Ministry of Social Affairs and The EU Commission. The SIRG/PID was formally affiliated with the International Association on the Scientific Study of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IASSIDD) in 2002. The mission of the Special Interest Research Group on Parents and Parenting with Intellectual Disabilities is:

- To create opportunities for international and multidisciplinary networking ;
- To foster research and innovation ;
- To expose social and systemic discrimination against and promote equalisation of opportunity for parents with intellectual disabilities and their children ;
- To facilitate the translation of knowledge from research into policies and practices.

<https://iassidd.org/sirgs/parenting-with-intellectual-disabilities/>