



Active Treatment Using Natural Supports

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ACTIVE TREATMENT MEANS

- Using everyday activities as an opportunity for learning.
- It's everything you do each day.
- It actively teaches and involves a client in all activities

WHAT IS NATURAL ENVIRONMENTS

- A place where typical things happen such as shopping at a store, eating at a restaurant, playing at the park.
- Is not made up so a person can learn. For example, you don't sit at a table and pretend to buy something with play money.

EXERCISE

Make a list of some natural environment.



Active Treatment uses the natural environments to teach a person everyday skills for independence.

DESCRIBE SOME SKILL BUILDING
TASKS YOU ARE WORKING ON WITH
YOUR CLIENT USING ACTIVE
TREATMENT.

WHERE DO YOU TEACH THE PERSON
THESE SKILLS?

HOW DO YOU TEACH THE PERSON
THESE SKILLS?

(DEMONSTRATION, MODELING,
PROMPTING)

WHAT ARE SOME OF THE THINGS
YOU NEED TO KNOW TO HELP YOUR
CLIENT LEARN A SKILL OR TASK?

THINGS YOU SHOULD ASK

- How does the person communicate?
- What parts of the task can the person complete independently?
- What would motivate the person to complete the task?

WHAT IS POSITIVE REINFORCEMENT?

Positive Reinforcement means:

- Doing, giving or saying something after a person exhibits a positive behavior.
- If you reinforce someone, they may do the same behavior over and over again.

WHAT IS A REINFORCER?

A reinforcer is something that makes a person do something.



Food



Praise



Money



Activities

HOW CAN WE USE POSITIVE
REINFORCEMENT WHEN WE ARE
WORKING WITH CLIENTS?

SHARE AN EXAMPLE OF HOW
YOU USED POSITIVE
REINFORCEMENT?

HOW DO YOU COMBINE ACTIVE
TREATMENT WITH POSITIVE
REINFORCEMENT?

SHARE AN EXAMPLE OF HOW
YOU WORKED WITH A CLIENT
USING ACTIVE TREATMENT AND
POSITIVE REINFORCEMENT.

QUESTIONS