

Paradigm Shift in Service Delivery Systems for Children and Youth with Emotional Disturbance

	Provider-driven	Family-d
Source of solutions	Professionals and agencies	Child, family, and the
Relationship	Child and family viewed as a dependent client expected to carry out instructions	Partner/collaborator making, service provision, accountability
Orientation	Isolating and "fixing" a problem viewed as residing in the child or family	Ecological approach and family to do better in community
Assessment	Deficit oriented	Strengths based
Expectations	Low to modest	High
Planning	Agency resource based	Individualized for each family
Access to services	Limited by agency's menus, funding streams, and staffing schedules	Comprehensive and present where the child and family
Outcomes	Based on agency function and symptom relief	Based on quality of life for child and family

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The Paradigm Shift to True Collaboration with Families

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