



REGISTRATION FORM

No Such Thing As a Bad Kid

Understanding & Responding to At-Risk Children and Youth Using Strength-Based Theories & Practices

A Two-day Train the Trainer Seminar

by
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Who Should Attend:

Anyone who trains and/or supervises professionals dealing with at-risk children and youth. The course is designed to enhance the skills of school personnel (regular and special ed) as well as child and youth care workers, foster and residential care leadership, mentoring professionals, and those working in youth detention. See additional page for more detail.

Participants Receive:

Each participant will receive Charlie's 140+ page Trainer's Manual, a copy of two of his books: *No Such Thing As a Bad Kid – Understanding and Responding to the Challenging Behavior of Troubled Children and Youth*, and *The Gus Chronicles – Reflections From an Abused Kid*. Each school or program that is represented will receive a copy of Charlie's new training DVDs.

When: (2 Days) Wednesday, August 18th & Thursday, August 19th, 2010
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Location: 150 Motor Parkway, Lower Level Media center
Cost: \$275.00 for both days (includes breakfast, lunch and instructional materials as mentioned above.)

Participant Name: _____

School/Agency Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Additional attendee (s) from your school or agency:

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Please fill out and return this form as soon as possible to guarantee your place for this 2 day Train the Trainer Workshop. **Space is limited!**

Return this form via email to: Ffloro@mentorkids.org or via fax to: **631-761-7803**

The Program:

Strength-based practice is an emerging approach to helping at-risk children, youth and their families that is exceptionally positive and inspiring. Its focus is on strength-building rather than flaw-fixing.

This two-day comprehensive seminar will highlight many of the key principles and techniques of this transforming (strength-based) modality. Areas covered include:

- Strength-based communication principles
- Techniques - including reframing, the creative use of metaphors, solution focused communication, and de-escalation techniques
- Self-esteem building & activities for at-risk children and youth
- How to help inflexible and explosive young people
- What every teacher or child welfare professional should know about developmental psychology; enhancing empathy for traumatized children and youth
- Why, how, and when to use incentive plans
- The importance of controlling personal emotions
- How to take humor seriously; respectful limit setting; and a host of creative cognitive behavioral strategies.

The second half is devoted to presenting a host of strength-based orientation and training strategies that will help participants bring back the material to their settings and teach and model it in a sustained, systemic manner. Participants will be given training exercises, learning games, visual cues, quizzes, feedback forms, original orientation material and much more to enhance their role as trainers.

Numerous schools and programs throughout North America have used Charlie's strength-based material to reshape their environments.

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Contact Franca Floro, Director of Programs & Training: 631-761-7800 or email ffloro@mentorkids.org

Registration and Payment Information

1. Return the Registration Form via fax to 631-761-7803 or email to ffloro@mentorkids.org
2. Payment of \$275.00 can be made by check payable to the Mentoring Partnership of Long Island. Mail payment to MPLI, 150 Motor Parkway, Suite 90, Hauppauge, NY 11788
3. Please call the office 631-761-7800 to pay using a credit card

For more information about Charlie and his work visit: www.charliea.com or www.parentrapsody.com