
ABOUT THERAPEUTIC INTERVENTIONS

Direct therapeutic services for children and young people will be provided for Looked After Children, Adopted Children, Children on a Residence Order, Special Guardianship Children and those children on the edge of care.

This direct therapeutic work is evaluated so that progress and effectiveness can be monitored. The evidenced based therapeutic models of intervention are outlined in this leaflet and a Clinical Psychologist within the Reparative Care Team will take a lead responsibility on determining the most appropriate intervention. However the work may be delivered directly by either: Therapists, Social Workers or Therapeutic Support Workers

OUR STORY

The Children & Young People's Plan 2017- 2022 outlines the way in which the Children & Family Community Services will meet the requirements of the Children's Law (2008).

The Reparative Care Team forms part of the Corporate Parenting Strategy and Children & Young People's Plan in line with the 2020 vision.

Additionally the Adoption Reform Law will require a legal framework around adoption support services provided to adopters, adopted children, their siblings and close birth family members.



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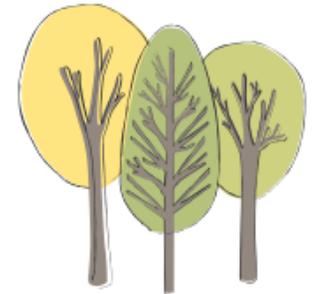
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Dyadic
Developmental
Practice
'DDP'



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Dyadic Developmental Therapy (DDP) is a therapeutic approach developed to meet the specific developmental needs of children and young people who have experienced significant trauma, often in the context of their primary attachment relationships and are in fostered or adoptive placements, kinship care and sometimes residential.

It focuses primarily on the central importance of healthy and supportive relationships to aid trauma recovery.

DDP aims to enable children to experience safety, security and increased trust in their relationships with their new parents/carers, and to develop deeper emotional connections in the child-carer relationship.

DDP aims to facilitate the child's emotional, cognitive, social, and psychological development.

Key to the DDP model is PACE -
Playfulness, Acceptance, Curiosity and
Empathy

It's a way of thinking, feeling,
communicating and behaving that aims to
help the child feel safe, experience
increased emotional regulation, and
discover new meanings about self, others
and the nature of relationships.



DDP is a systemic model that works with various combinations of child/parent/professionals as appropriate to best meet the family's needs.

A DDP intervention typically includes work with the network around the child as well as 'parent only' sessions. This work helps the parents and network better understand the child's needs, presenting difficulties and respond in ways that build the relationship, increase safety and security alongside responding appropriately to concerning behaviour.

Referrals for DDP will not necessarily always involve child in therapy. We work with various combinations as appropriate to meet needs of family.
