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The Greatest Gift to a Child:
A Healthy Parental Relationship

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What the Dibble Institute believes ...
Presenter:
Dixie Zittlow, Director of Outreach

- She is trained and certified in numerous healthy relationship curricula and she has worked with at-risk teens, providing healthy relationship education for the last seven years.
- Before working for The Dibble Institute, she was a federal grant manager for 4 years where she established and trained facilitators in healthy relationship programs in WI.
- Her speaking engagements address topics of Domestic and Dating Violence, The Way to Forgiveness, Learning to Ask for What you Want, and Excavating Your True Self.
- Dixie was also a CASA (court appointed special advocate) volunteer advocating for neglected or abused children.
- Dixie has a Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts from Concordia University.
The Greatest Gift to a Child: A Healthy Parental Relationship
It matters that you are here.
It matters because children want to live in healthy families.
The parents’ relationship affects a child.
We want those we serve to understand the importance of cooperative co-parenting.
The Greatest Gift to a Child...
Healthy relationship education teaches...
The three key points today are...
The parents’ relationship influences a child’s life.
What does a child want?
Parents Wanted: Baby Looking for a Family

• What helps parents nurture and raise a child?

Consider:
  – Job/Education
  – Finances/money
  – Maturity
  – Relationship status of parents
  – Material things that help
  – Family, community connections
How would a healthy relationship help parents offer these benefits to a child?
What is the impact of the parental relationship on children?
A parent is a parent for life!

Inequality for children...
Speaking of Fathers in Particular...
What does it mean for girls?
What does it mean to boys?
QUESTIONS
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Use the knowledge of what a child needs for a brighter future in planning programs for young people.
Healthy Relationship Knowledge and Skills...
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“The results also suggest that a curriculum that focuses on the risk and protective factors in multiple aspects of family life was successful in producing positive changes in the quality of both father-child relationships and, when mothers participated fully as part of the couples’ groups, in maintaining both partners’ relationship satisfaction.”

Promoting Fathers’ Engagement With Children: Preventive Interventions for Low-Income Families by Cowan, Cowan, Pruett, Pruett, & Wong; 2009
Use evidence-based programs because they are:

- LISTED on the NREPP (National Registry of Evidence-based Programs and Practices/CDC)
- RESEARCHED
- EVALUATED (Auburn University, AL AND University of Louisville, KY)
- TRIED – HMI/Responsible Fatherhood grants (as well as PREP, Rape Prev., Upward Bound, TPP grants)
The message is that parents want the best for their children.
They can change their relationship pattern.
Consider the link between healthy relationship education and healthy parenting or co-parenting.
Healthy Parent Relationships in Today’s Culture
The Co-Parenting Challenge
Parent Wanted: Baby Looking for a Family

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Benefits of Healthy Parental Unions for the Child
Let’s make the message relevant.
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