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DADS MATTER!

Why and How to Include
Them into Routines-Based
Intervention – **PART II**

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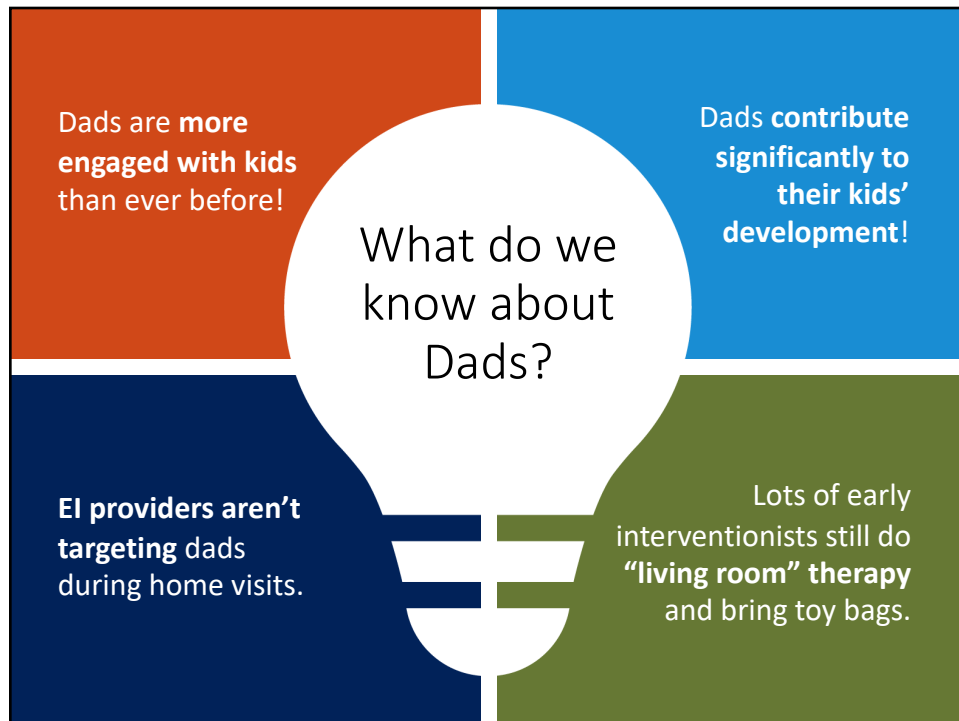
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OUTCOMES

1. Compare and contrast the **experiences** of a group of fathers who **participated in EI**
2. Begin to **relate fathers' experiences** to your own practices



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Where did I get my information?



Formal qualitative
research study.

"Tell me about your experience in early intervention."

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If you were to ask
dads you work
with to tell you
about their
experiences, what
do you think they
would say?

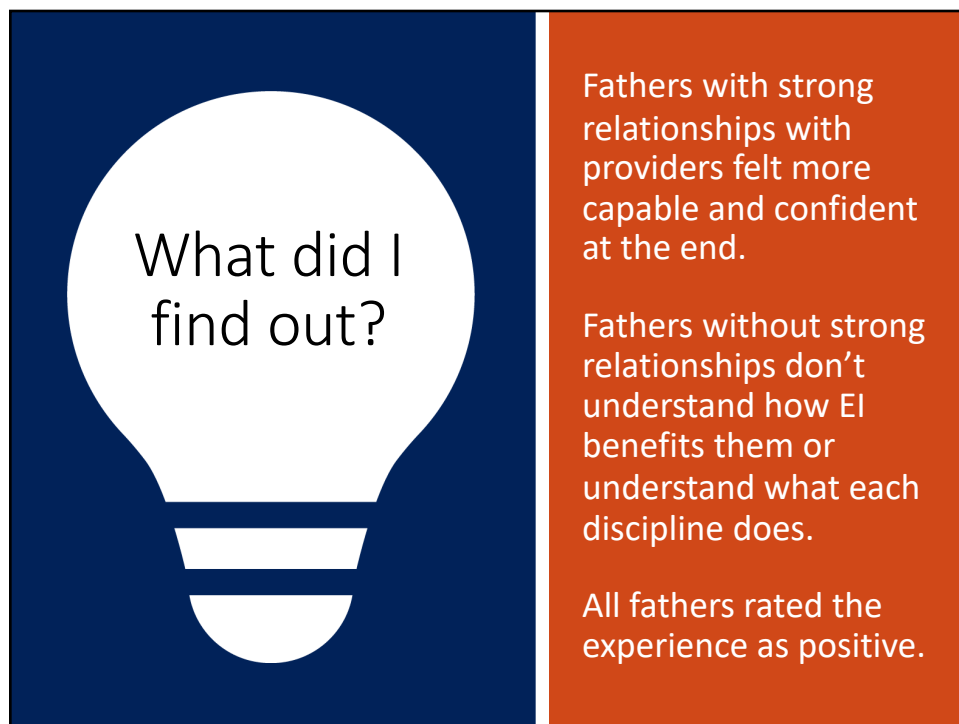


*Share your
response in chat.*

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A tale of two Dads...



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Dads don't
know about
EI so they
**“trust the
experts”**



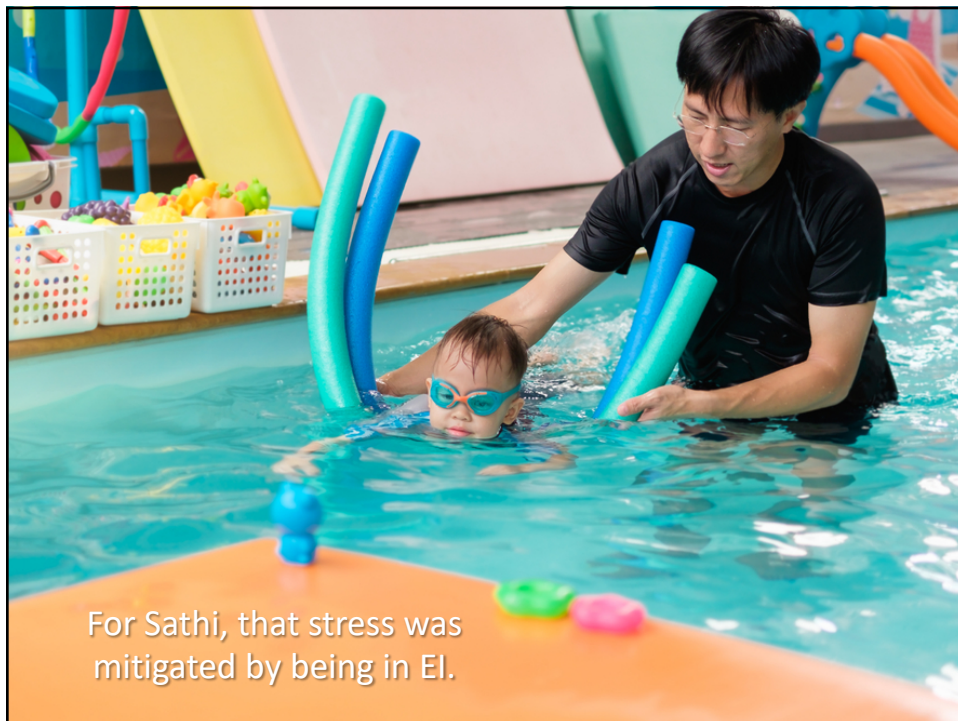
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Dads all felt stressed and frustrated during their time in EI.



For Adam, that stress was compounded by being in EI.

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For Sathi, that stress was mitigated by being in EI.

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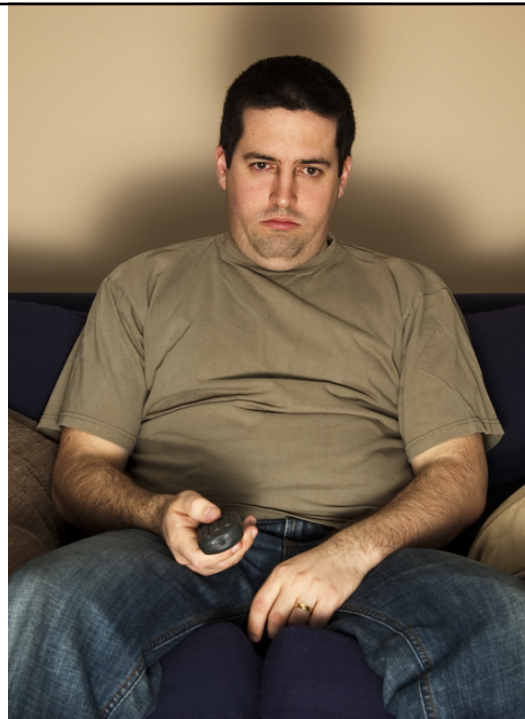
What are some ways you've either contributed to or mitigated EI stress for dads?

Share your response in chat.



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Dads wait to be invited into therapeutic activities in their own homes.



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Have you ever worked on a team where the dad was “marooned in the kitchen”?



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What could that SLP have done instead?

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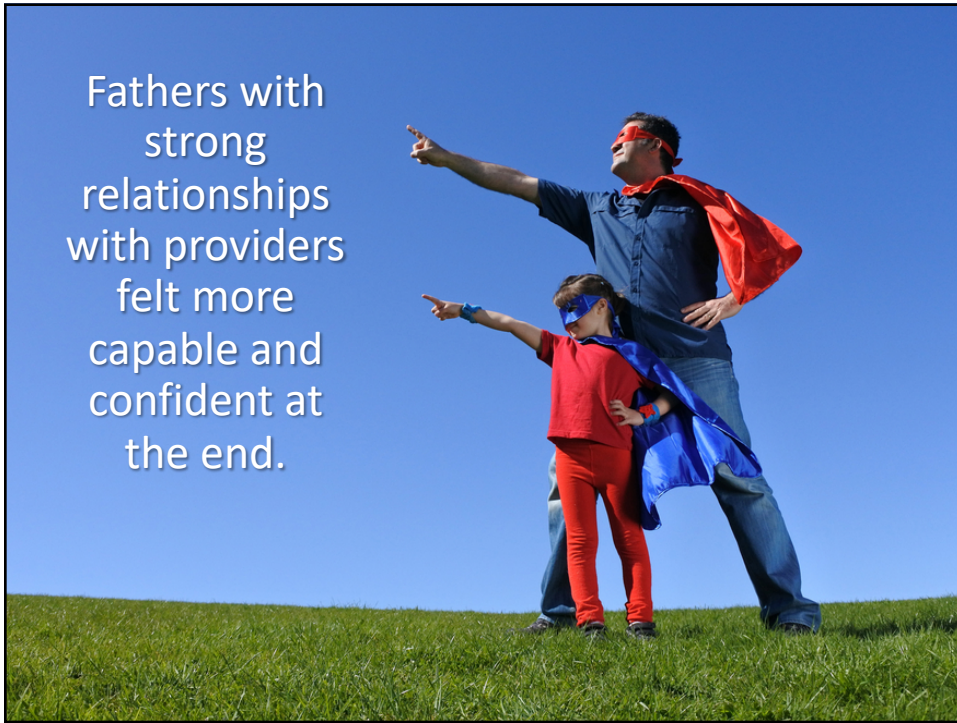


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The mom is usually the one home during sessions.	I relate more to them/feel more comfortable with them.	The mom's info was listed on the file.
Why do you communicate mostly through moms? <i>Use your stamp tool to make a selection.</i>		
I've never really thought about it before. I'm not sure why?	I manage all the communication for my family, so I just assume other moms do to.	I've never met the dad.

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Fathers with strong relationships with providers felt more capable and confident at the end.



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All fathers rated the experience as positive.



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How do you think
the dads you've
worked with
benefitted
personally from EI?

*Share your
response in chat.*



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So, what should we do?

- Include dads on all correspondence (texts, emails, calls)
- Offer a few evening times
- Invite dads into what you are doing
- Give written resources
- Clearly explain the activity you are asking dads to do and how it relates to their goals for their children
- Imbed therapeutic tasks into gross motor play
- Ask dads how they like to play with their kids and incorporate therapeutic tasks in that activity

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What is something
that you will start
doing tomorrow
to increase your
engagement
with dads?

*Share your
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Stay in touch!



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