

Supplemental Material S6. Social validity follow-up survey.

Follow Up Questionnaire

Please complete the survey below.
Thank you!

The first section of this survey involves the interventions, therapies, or services that your child has participated in.

Has the child who enrolled in the study also participated in early intervention services, pre-school, ABA, or other therapies? ☐ No ☐ Yes ☐ Unsure

What service(s) is/was your child enrolled in? (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)
- ☐ Speech Therapy
- ☐ Occupational Therapy
- ☐ Physical Therapy
- ☐ Developmental Therapy
- ☐ Preschool
- ☐ Other early intervention
- ☐ Unsure

Other:

Did any of these services begin after you started or finished learning the intervention? (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)
- ☐ Speech Therapy
- ☐ Occupational Therapy
- ☐ Physical Therapy
- ☐ Developmental Therapy
- ☐ Preschool
- ☐ Other early intervention
- ☐ Unsure

We want to learn how our intervention might help children and their families who have just received an autism diagnosis prepare for later therapies.

Please tell us how the intervention prepared your family for later services (e.g., ABA, related therapies, preschool).

How was participating in this study helpful for: preparing your child for other therapies?

- ☐ 1 Very Unhelpful ☐ 2 Somewhat Unhelpful ☐ 3 Neutral / Don't know ☐ 4 Somewhat Helpful
☐ 5 Very Helpful

How was participating in this study helpful for: preparing you (the caregiver) for your child's therapies?

- ☐ 1 Very Unhelpful ☐ 2 Somewhat Unhelpful ☐ 3 Neutral / Don't know ☐ 4 Somewhat Helpful
☐ 5 Very Helpful

Please tell us about your experiences in starting other therapies with your child.

We want to learn how to support caregivers after their children receive an autism diagnosis.

Your answers do not need to be related to the intervention you received - we are interested in the entire experience of diagnosis and early intervention.

How was participating in this study helpful for: increasing your understanding of the autism spectrum?

- ☐ 1 Very Unhelpful ☐ 2 Somewhat Unhelpful ☐ 3 Neutral / Don't know ☐ 4 Somewhat Helpful
☐ 5 Very Helpful

What things were particularly difficult for you following your child's autism diagnosis? (e.g., navigating services, challenging behavior, telling other people, etc.)

What more could we have done to help you immediately following your child's diagnosis?

What supports or services (e.g., parent-to-parent groups, more information, quicker access to early intervention, counseling) would have been helpful to you immediately following your child's diagnosis?

What supports or services (e.g., parent-to-parent groups, more information, quicker access to early intervention, counseling) do you think other parents of children with autism might want or need immediately following their child's diagnosis?

Is there anything else you would like to share that would help us provide a better intervention for families who have a child recently diagnosed with autism?

Please answer the next few questions about yourself.						
	1 - Strongly Disagree	2	3	4	5	6 - Strongly Agree
I can always think of something to play with my child.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am a fun playmate for my toddler.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I find it hard to loosen up and just play with my child.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am able to get actively involved in playing with my child.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Playing is a part of my relationship with my child that I have very little difficulty with.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I really need to learn how to just have fun with my child.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I think I spend an appropriate amount of time just playing with my child.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I believe my toddler learns a great deal from my efforts to show him/her things.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Assisting my child with learning to talk and understand words is a part of parenting that I leave to others.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sitting down regularly with my child to read or do some other one-on-one activity is not difficult for me.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am probably not that great at teaching my child about the world.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have some difficulty figuring out the appropriate level of instruction when I'm trying to explain something to my child.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Helping my child learn colors, names of objects, etc. is not one of my strongest points.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My child learns more from me than anyone else in his/her life.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

I easily find opportunities to point out things about the world during my daily interactions with my child.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Although I would like to help my child learn more about his/her surroundings, this is an area of parenting that I do not feel well-equipped for.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have been able to establish a daily routine with my toddler that feels comfortable to both of us.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am able to provide my child with a comfortable amount of daily structure.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have been successful in getting my child to eat on a fairly regular schedule.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel like I have no control over my child's sleep habits.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am not very good at getting my child to stick to a regular daily schedule.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Although I have tried to train my child to eat well, my efforts have been met with very little success.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I don't seem to be able to establish a regular bed time routine with my child.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have worked out a fairly regular morning routine with my toddler.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please answer the following questions about the intervention.

	1 - Strongly Disagree	2	3	4	5	6 - Strongly Agree
The intervention has helped my child's communication skills.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My efforts working on communication with my child seem to be paying off.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Helping my child learn communication skills is more work than I thought it would be.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
As a result of the intervention, I am more effective as a language teacher for my child.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I am interested in learning more intervention strategies to help my child's communication skills.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The intervention improved my child's behavior.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The intervention has helped me become better able to support my child's positive behavior.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I was motivated to learn the intervention.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I played an important role in the intervention.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The time requirement involved in learning the intervention was reasonable.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The intervention puts an added stress on our family.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I spent time outside of sessions practicing the intervention.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I often use the techniques at home with my child.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The coaching during training was helpful in learning the intervention.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The materials provided during training were helpful in learning the intervention.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I would recommend this intervention to a friend who was concerned about his or her child's communication skills.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>