

Increasing Parent Engagement and Reducing Family Stress



Olivia is an independent parent education contractor in a southeast state. She typically works with groups who provide therapy, case management, adoption and foster services, and in-school services for children in elementary and middle school. These include organizations that assist children and families that qualify for Medicaid with referrals and health care funding, and organizations that provide adoption and foster care services and support to children and families.

During the Institute, Olivia decided that her goal was to simultaneously increase parent engagement and reduce family stress by

providing education and skills training. Olivia shared the information from the Integration Institute directly with several organizations she works with. While, she wasn't able to make extensive progress on this goal with specific organizations, she has used many of the Resource Center's materials in her own direct service work, helping clients improve their relationship skills. Olivia also uses the "Nurturing Families and Healthy Relationships" curriculum to promote stable relationships with families involved in the court system.
