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BC COUNCIL FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN FALL 2011 WORKSHOP

# PRACTICAL APPROACHES THAT WORK WITH CHALLENGING BEHAVIOR

*Presented by Nathan Ory*

**Friday, October 21, 2011 8:30am – 3:30pm**

**St. John Brebeuf High School**

**2747 Townline Rd., Abbotsford**

(directional map is available at <http://mapq.st/pDIJB0>)

## THIS WORKSHOP COVERS THREE AREAS:

### **Part 1: Brain issues that masquerade as behavior: What to do when you don't know what to do!**

Comparisons are made between “normal” and “disabled” learning with explanations and examples of how to avoid typical teaching pitfalls and optimize teaching results for most persons with intellectual and other developmental disabilities.

### **Part 2: Specific strategies to use when behavior management doesn't work. How to avoid resistive behavior and unnecessary power struggles.**

Aspects of intellectual disabilities may limit the effectiveness of “typical” behavioral approaches, or lead to oppositional reactions. How to avoid deadly traps. How to use behavioral support that does work, with an expectation for self-control at a level that guarantees success!

### **Part 3: How to use structure to support people who have trouble with transitions and “stuck” behavior. Overcoming resistance with a “prop, a rule and a role.”**

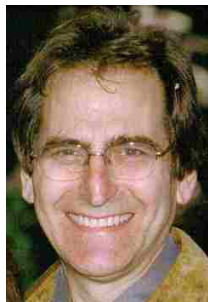
This session discusses the nature of “stuck” behavior in persons with developmental disabilities, autism, fetal alcohol, and other organic brain syndromes. How to adapt behavior plans to provide guidance, intervention, and diversion to individuals who become “stuck” without making it worse!

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

This workshop is designed for educators, paraeducators, therapists, related practitioners, as well as parents or family members. School based teams are encouraged to come together to enhance the learning outcomes of your students (i.e. classroom teacher, paraeducator, resources teacher, and administrators.)



## ABOUT OUR PRESENTER:



A psychologist registered in BC, **Nathan Ory** has 40 years of clinical experience working in inter-disciplinary settings for children and adults with developmental disabilities and emotional/behavior disorders. He has specialized in supporting individuals with fetal alcohol and autistic spectrum disorder, extremely challenging behavior, and/or diagnosis with a concurrent mental illness. Nathan is an international speaker and has published the second edition of his book, *Working with People with Challenging Behaviors A Guide for Maintaining Positive Relationships* (2007). Nathan Ory has a Master's degree in psychology from Ohio State University. He is a dual citizen of the US and Canada, and has been married for 39 years to his wife Bonnie, a special education teacher. He has a 29 year old daughter and a 23 year old son.

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Please register and pay online at [www.bccec.org](http://www.bccec.org)

Registration deadline: **October 7, 2011**

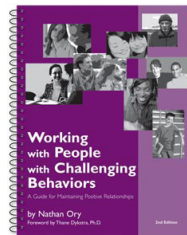
Registration fee: **CEC members \$99.00 | Non CEC members \$150.00**

Registration fee includes workshop, handouts/materials, lunch and refreshments.

Participants will also receive **Nathan Ory's book, *Working with People with Challenging Behaviors A Guide for Maintaining Positive Relationships*** (a \$39.95 retail value) included in the price of registration.

This book outlines proven techniques to help in the home, classroom, workplace or community setting, as you learn to:

- Anticipate and prevent predictable episodes
- Guide, divert and distract a person out of an escalating episode
- Train alternative coping skills
- Encourage and appreciate the person's strengths and unique progress
- Calm the environment for others



## REFUND POLICY:

Cancellations with refunds (less a \$40.00 processing fee) can be made until October 1, 2011.

Cancellation requests can be made by emailing [info@bccec.org](mailto:info@bccec.org).

## ABOUT THE BC COUNCIL FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN

Since its inception, BC CEC has advocated for students with exceptionalities—those with disabilities and special challenges as well as those with gifts and talents. BC CEC is committed to individuals who work with students with exceptionalities—educators, support personnel and parents—recognizing that these dedicated people require tools, resources and professional opportunities to perform their jobs well. BC CEC supports these individuals by providing educational workshops and conferences on leading best practices throughout the year.

BC CEC's highlight each year is the YES I CAN! Awards celebration to recognize the outstanding achievements of students with exceptionalities in British Columbia. Students from around the province are recognized in one of nine different categories: academics, arts, athletics, community service, employment, extracurricular activities, independent living skills, self-advocacy and technology. BC CEC is thrilled to be able to share in the pride and joy of families and friends of the Yes I Can winners each year. Consider nominating a student you know. For more information, go to the BC CEC website at [www.bccec.org](http://www.bccec.org).

For more information about the Council of Exceptional Children, check out the Council for Exceptional Children website at [www.cec.sped.org](http://www.cec.sped.org). Join today and be part of one of the largest international professional organizations dedicated to improving educational outcomes for individuals with disabilities and/or gifts and talents.