

# Title IV-E Collaborative Presents

## Unconditional Care Model: Positive Behavioral Strategies

*John Sprinson*

Wednesday, March 17, 2021

9:00am - 1:00pm

**ZOOM**

Registration ends Wednesday, March 10th

Link sent out Friday, March 12th

**John Sprinson, Ph.D.**, is currently the Clinical Director at Seneca Center. John joined Seneca during its first year of existence and has been actively involved in the clinical leadership of the agency throughout its history. With Ken Berrick, Seneca's founder, John co-authored *Unconditional Care: Relationship-based, Behavioral Intervention with Vulnerable Children and Families*, which was published by Oxford University Press in 2010. Since the 1980s John has been interested in attachment theory, learning theory, trauma, and clinical training and staff training. John received his graduate training in Psychology at Duke University and was a Post Doctoral Fellow at UCSF. In addition to his work at Seneca, John maintains an active psychotherapy practice in Oakland where he sees children, adolescents and parents.

### Training Summary:

Participants learn key, clinically relevant concepts from learning theory and the practice of behavioral work to understand how these concepts can be applied to an approach to assessment and to developing strategies for behavior change in children and teens. These concepts include concrete, specific definitions of target behaviors, baseline assessment, functional behavioral analysis, and five levels of intervention strategies. The focus is very much on the problem of supporting children and youth in developing new, adaptive skills that can replace problematic behaviors. Participants will also learn how maladaptive parental responses to children's behavior (coercive family process) can contribute to the development of childhood anti-social behavior.

### Eligible County Employees



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### Eligible Non-County Employees

Register on-line here:

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