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...a process for planning, organizing, coordinating, creating and delivering interventions and assistance that are well-matched with each family's unique needs and strengths.	...just about available services.
...a way for each family's array of assistance to be individualized for that family – different from any other family's.	...a rote plan (“cut and paste”).
...a way to help blend support and interventions in a unified response that reveals creative opportunities.	...a funding source in and of itself.
...a whole systems model for organizational and operational change.	...a program or a specific service.
...a process to help stabilize immediate crises while gathering information for proactive and reactive crisis planning.	...just about putting out fires. It's about understanding what causes the fires and preventing them in the future.
...used to foster the development of a Strengths, Needs and Culture Discovery that identifies functional strengths and capacities of the youth, family and community.	...merely a list of strengths.
...a process that allows a Team to grow, trust and depend upon each other.	...a meeting just to be meeting.

¹ Adapted from Pierce, M. (2008). The phases of wraparound: Real life & teams. In E. J. Bruns & J. S. Walker (Eds.), The resource guide to wraparound. Portland, OR: National Wraparound Initiative, Research and Training Center for Family Support and Children's Mental Health