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In-Service Training
“Give your hand to Autist children”



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- With this session, we want to promote the development of children with Educational Special Needs, specially those suffering from Autism.



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Technical skills of a child care taker:

Participate and cooperate in the execution of recreational and educational activities, as well as other activities that encourage socialization processes in educational establishments and in leisure activities;

Be able to ensure the child welfare and safety, physical and emotionally, at the level of individual and collective health;



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Develop and encourage in the child the acquisition of habits of autonomy, independence and self-reliance;

Proceed with the screening of potential health problems and / or child development difficulties, as well as meet the special needs of the child.



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Institutions require the use of three key skills:
communication, socialization and imagination.



PROBLEM

Autist children reveal difficulties in these fundamental skills



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This intervention is based on the following:

- Adapting methods and pedagogies;
- **Development of adjusted activities;**
- **Training of personal and social skills;**
- **Creation and availability of suitable material adapted to the needs and leisure activities;**



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What is Autism?

- Autism is a disorder that affects a child's development in various aspects.
- It consists of a disorder in which a child or young person can not develop normal social relationships, by behaving in a compulsive and ritualistic way and usually does not develop normal intelligence.



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Characteristics – Social Relations

- **Avoids or keeps eye contact constantly;**
- **Preference for solitary activities;**
- **Has no idea of the needs of others;**
- **Deficit in the use of nonverbal behaviour;**
- **Lack of reciprocity.**



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Characteristics – Communication

- Those who speak have the need to start or keep a conversation;
- When they talk, they show deformity in timbre, intonation, rhythm and emphasis;
- Repetition of words and phrases;
- No games of make-believe.



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Característics – Behaviour, Interests and Activities

- Hand flapping, rocking and walking on tiptoe;
- Self-mutilation;
- Fascination with movement;
- **Restricted interest on activities;**
- Preoccupation with parts of objects.



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Other Symptoms

- Hyper or hypo activity;
- Lack of concentration;
- Impulsivity;
- Auto and hetero aggression;
- Difficulty in interpreting sensorial impressions;
- Epilepsy



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Activities

The activities undertaken were:

- **Observation of the development and behavior of children;**
- **Preparation of a Christmas tree with various materials;**
- **Personalized information given to parents about the objectives and intervention of the Project and delivery of a written document;**
- **Preparation of the 'Crown', on 6th January (Twelfth Night);**



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- Realization of a ball game;
- Conducting a puzzle (with and without timing);
- Exploration of words to PECS (Picture Exchange Communication System);
- Filling in the Anamnesis with parents;
- Free Drawing;
- Exploration of a luminous ball-balloon;
- **Construction of puppets for the Spring Play;**
- **Spring Day / Drama Day – Play “Spring in the countryside”;**



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- Carnival - Preparation of a fantasy;
- Game of the Mirror - collective game;
- **Story telling and drawing of the same story;**
- Children's Book Day - Construction of a book (sequences);
- Easter Egg decoration;
- **Mother's Day – Coloured Block;**
- Visualization of activities;
- Delivery of individual portfolios (images).



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Thank you very much for your attention!

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