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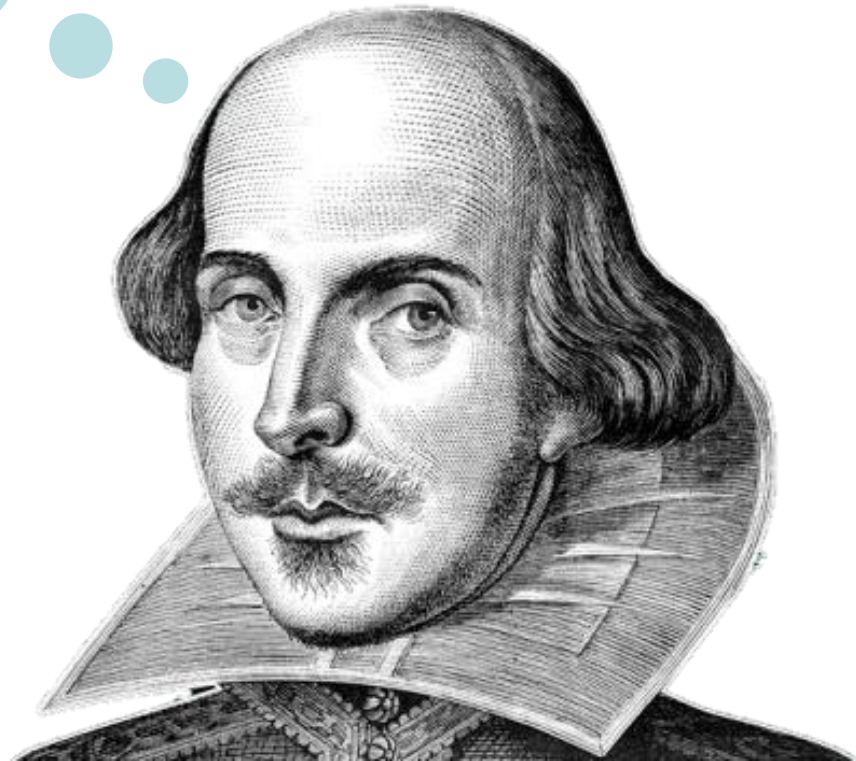
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Multi-problem sit.



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Evaluation study
Target group
Parenting
6-month follow-up

Decision-making on
family preservation
(FP)²

100	90	80	70	60	50	40	30	20	10	1
100	90	80	70	60	50	40	30	20	10	1
90	81	72	63	54	45	36	27	18	9	
80	72	64	56	48	40	32	24	16	8	
70	63	56	49	42	35	28	21	14	7	
60	54	48	42	36	30	24	18	12	6	
50	45	40	35	30	25	20	15	10	5	
40	36	32	28	24	20	16	12	8	4	
30	27	24	21	18	15	12	9	6	3	
20	18	16	14	12	10	8	6	4	2	
10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1



Admission → **Intake** → **Intervention**



May'13 - Oct '14
File complete
N=70

Admission form
Psych. reports
Evaluations
Intake report

Coding system³
>100 variables
3 coders

**The same or not
the same: that is
the question⁴**



**Family
preservation
(FP)**

N = 30

**No family
preservation
(NFP)**

N = 27

FP



NFP



FAMILY LEVEL		FP (n=30)		NFP (n=27)	
		n	%	n	%
Problem area					
	Parenting abilities	30	100	27	100
	Parent-child interaction	14	46.7	12	44.4
→	Partner relation	27	90.0	20	74.1*
	Housing	28	93.3	23	85.2
	Financial	25	83.3	22	81.5
→	Social network	29	96.7	23	85.2*
	Professional network	19	63.3	20	74.1
	Pregnancy	21	70.0	20	74.1
	# Problem areas family level	M 6.57	SD 1.19	M 6.48	SD 1.64
Type of service use					
	Parenting	30	100	27	100
→	Psychological (incl. addiction)	26	86.7	19	70.4*
	Practical	29	96.7	27	100
	Crisis	13	43.3	13	48.1
→	Probation	11	36.7	3	11.1***
	# Types of service use	M 3.63	SD .92	M 3.30	SD .72 ^a
Parent characteristics		30		27	
→	Age first becoming parent n=27, n=24	M 21.76	SD 5.28	M 25.44	SD 5.34 ^b
	# psychological problems	M 1.92	SD .90	M 2.20	SD .91
	# problem areas	M 4.13	SD 1.30	M 4.43	SD 1.21
	# types trauma childhood	M 1.98	SD 1.10	M 1.40	SD .76
	# Problem areas all family members	M 16.30	SD 3.09	M 16.44	SD 4.37

PARENT LEVEL		Mothers				Fathers			
		FP (n=25)		NFP (n=28)		FP (n=23)		NFP (n=21)	
		n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Problem areas									
	Physical	10	34.5	8	30.8	6	26.1	9	42.9
	Incarceration	1	3.4			10	43.5	6	28.6
→	Services	15	51.7	20	76.9**	10	43.5	13	61.9
	Trauma	17	58.6	17	65.4	11	47.8	10	47.6
	Substance abuse	12	41.4	6	23.1	15	65.2	11	52.4
→	Intellectual disability	11	37.9	17	65.4**	10	43.5	13	61.9
	DSM classification	20	69.0	20	76.9	12	52.2	14	66.7
	Clear	5	17.2	6	23.1	5	21.7	3	14.3
	Unclear	18	62.1	16	61.5	9	39.1	12	57.1
	Psychological	28	96.6	26	100.0	22	95.7	20	95.2
	Insight problems	13	44.8	15	57.7	9	39.1	13	61.9
→	Emotion regulation	18	62.1	17	65.4	18	78.3	11	52.4*
→	Int. problems	19	65.5	22	84.6*	12	52.2	13	61.9
	Mood swings	7	24.1	8	30.8			1	4.8
	Adverse childhood exp.	27	93.1	23	88.5	18	78.3	14	66.7
	Abuse and/or neglect	17	58.6	10	38.5	4	17.4	4	19.0
	Abuse	10	34.5	7	26.9	1	4.3		
→	Neglect	15	51.7	4	15.4**	4	17.4	4	19.0
	Problems rel. to parents	12	41.1	8	30.8	6	26.1	3	14.3
	Problems rel. to self	24	82.8	22	84.6	18	78.3	13	61.9

CHILD LEVEL	FP (n=30)		NFP (n=23)	
	n	%	n	%
Placement at admission				
With parents	8	26.7	5	21.7
With parents under superv.	5	16.7	3	13.0
Without bio. Parents	17	56.7	15	65.2
# placements caretaker n=27,23	M .74	SD .90	M .96	SD 1.39
# placing living arrang.n=22,21	M 1.18	SD 1.14	M 1.38	SD 2.22
Problem areas (at least one)	29	96.7	21	91.3
→ Emotion	17	56.7	5	21.7***
Behavior	10	33.3	10	43.5
Cognition	2	6.7	3	13.0
Physical	24	80.0	17	73.9
Adverse/traumatic exp.	25	83.3	19	82.6
Witness of domestic violence	13	43.3	8	34.8
Physical neglect	14	46.7	11	47.8
Emotional neglect	16	53.3	10	43.5
→ Physical abuse	9	30.0	2	8.7**
Emotional abuse	3	10.0	2	8.7
Violence during pregnancy	6	20.0	4	17.4
Child-abuse, type unknown			2	8.7
Child abuse, presumed	2	6.7		
Other traumatic event(s)	6	20.0	7	30.4
# types of child abuse	M 2.27	SD 1.68	M 1.96	SD 1.36
# problem areas	M 2.6	SD 1.07	M 2.35	SD 1.43

FP families >
partner-relation,
social network

FP mothers <
services,
intellectual
disability, intern.
problems



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FP parents
younger
when
becoming
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FP mothers >
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FP families >
service use:
psychological,
probation

FP children >
emotional problems,
physical abuse

FP mothers >
neglect in
childhood



What is your question?



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