



Tomorrow's Voices Bermuda Autism Early Intervention Centre

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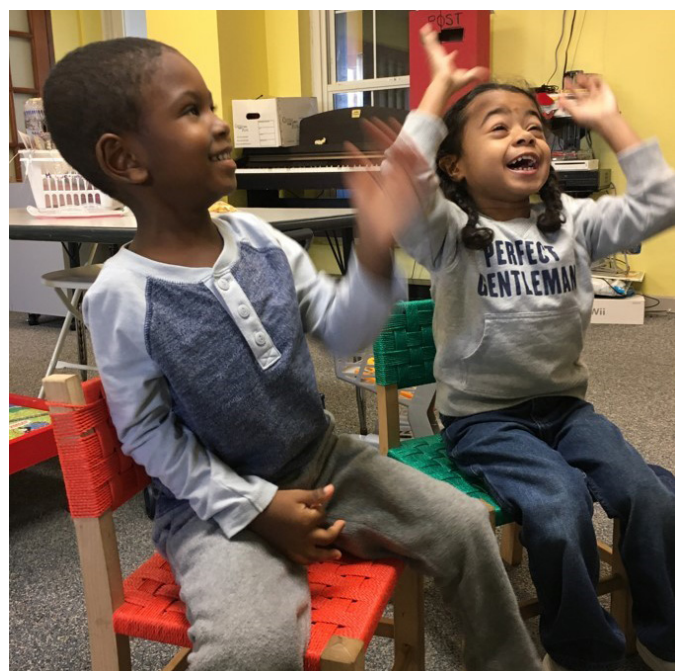
Tomorrow's Voices Bermuda Autism Early Intervention Centre is designed to meet the individual needs of children who are diagnosed with Autism or on the Autism Spectrum between the ages of 2 and 21 years of age. As part of our overview of a selection of the winners from this year's Social Care Awards we profile this unique organisation to find out more about the crucial support it provides.

Tomorrow's Voices is the brainchild of two parents of autistic children, Ms. Tricia Simons (Crow) and Ms. Thea Furbert. These parents felt that there was a need for a place that could provide hands-on Applied Behaviour Analysis/ Verbal Behaviour services for children on the Autism Spectrum.

With the help of donors, the autism community, friends and family their brainchild became a reality with Tomorrow's Voices officially opening its doors to clients in October 2007. Today, Tomorrow's Voices mission is to bring positive change to the lives of individuals

(2 to 21) with autism, pervasive developmental disorders and other developmental delays through research based best educational practices. Tomorrow's Voices' aims to provide training to allied health professionals, parents, teachers and others in the Bermuda community regarding the scholarly research cited as best practices in the service delivery to people with disabilities.

This organization strives to provide a continuum of care throughout the lifespan of people with autism, pervasive developmental delays and other developmental disabilities an





effective and individualized educational program for children with autism and related disabilities.

As part of its work to achieve this mission, Tomorrow's Voices works with their clients in a 1:1 capacity with the aim of reverse inclusion. In this 1:1 setting the staff teach the skills necessary for clients to function and learn in an inclusive environment.

Tomorrow's Voices' overall goal is to teach their clients the skills needed to perform more independently and provide them with better quality of life through intensive early intervention.

Within Tomorrow's Voices' unique generalization framework, the organisation's general curriculum teaches each child critical language skills, functional activities, socialization, initiation/spontaneity and generalization of mastered concepts/skills. These skills are built into every child's educational program and individualized to meet his or her learning style and unique needs.

Thanks to the expertise and experience of its Founders and staff, Tomorrow's Voices understands that not every child learns in the same way. Through careful observation, assessment and interaction with each child,

the team can determine the best way to teach them, and craft a service plan specific to their current needs. The organisation's centre is unique in that a Behaviour Analyst provides program oversight and develops all of its programs. The analyst will conduct therapy when necessary and provide modelling of therapeutic strategies to staff and parents.

The organisation's teaching methods are based on the science of Applied Behaviour Analysis and include a variety of different teaching procedures that are taught in both Intensive Teaching and the Natural Environment. All of Tomorrow's Voices' services are provided in a safe, nurturing and structured environment with a maximum of 1:2 staff to student ratio.

Ultimately, the overall goal of Tomorrow's Voices is to provide clients with the skills to assist with their reintegration into their neighbourhood schools with minimal supervision and to provide them with a better quality of life through intervention. This will remain the organisation's ongoing focus as it looks towards a bright and exciting future filled with opportunities for further success and expansion of its unique solutions offering.



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