

# **Building Resilient Children**

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# I'm so glad to be here!



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# What we'll cover

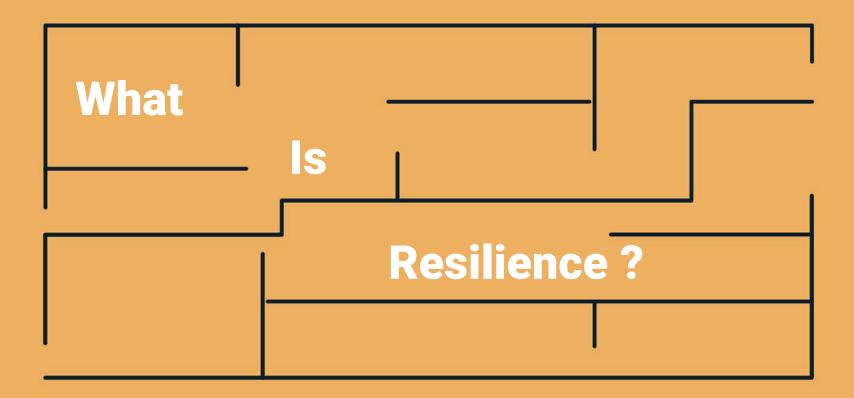
- Defining resilience
- Why resilience is important now
- How to build resilient children
- Parenting Tips
- Q & A

### **Visualization Exercise**

### **Close Your Eyes:**

Hop into a time machine and go back to when you were your kids current age....

- Do you remember 1-2 top stressors at the time?
- What are you seeing and feeling? What did you need at that time that you didn't receive?
- How can you show up for your child and their feelings today?



# **Brightline Member Story**

**The Challenge:** Child stutters, has panic attacks, a difficult time responding when asked a question, and lacks eye contact

**The Exposure:** The Obstacle is the Way

**The Solution:** Cognitive reframing, learning coping skills to manage stress, supportive people around him, and practicing exposure to fear **The After:** Eye contact has improved, initiating conversations, asks a question when he's afraid in school, and signed up for the safety team at school where he's practicing exposure everyday to build resilience.



### **Building Resilient Children**

### Head

### Heart

### Hands

# Head: Build Mental Resilience

- Take the sunglasses off (EYES)
- Manager up (MOUTH)
- Switch the playlist (EARS)
- Exercise: Closed & opened doors

# Heart: Build Emotional Resilience

- The surfer's process Ride the wave!
- Use your compass Individual and family values
- Set the guardrails Life principles
- Love the mirror Develop a healthy view of self

# Hands: Build <u>Behavioral</u> Resilience

- Behave to become
- Move and love the body
- Hold hands with someone

## **Parenting Tips**



- 1:1 time
  Keep reframing
  - Have a talk Manage parent guilt
    - Practice selfcompassion
      - Set smart goals for parenting
  - Reward it / praise it

Model it

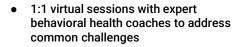
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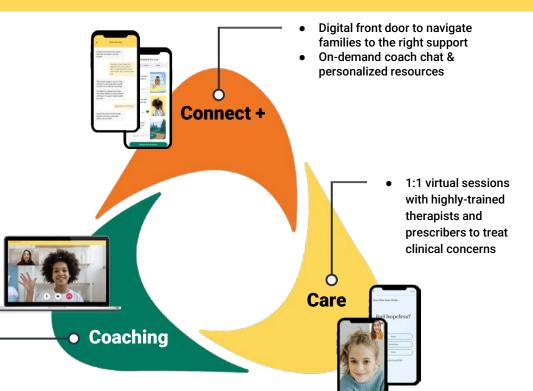
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 Use real-life situations to teach

# **Get Support**

The only all-in-one behavioral health solution built to provide families, children, and teenagers ages 1.5 up to 18 years





# **Get Started**

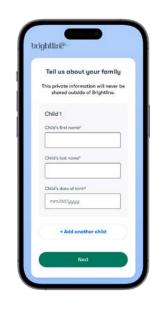
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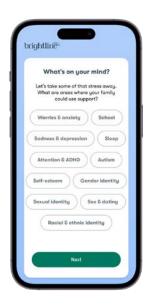
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5. Tell us about your family by sharing your kids' names and ages



6. Share what's on your mind — we'll help you get the right support. Choose as many as apply to your family.

# Questions