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An analysis of child affection and parent's Addictive Behavior

The purpose of this experiment was to examine the effectiveness of intervention and rehabilitative protocols to access to one's children through supervised visitation (time sharing) on increased outcomes for parents recovering from alcohol or narcotic addictions. Family Monitors of the Toby Center for Family Transitions, Inc. served as neutral third parties in facilitating supervised visitation between an addictive parent and their child(ren). Cases were identified there was a history of addictions and frequently dual diagnosis on the parent seeking visitation access where court orders for supervised visitation were presented. Legal documents, psychological evaluations, criminal allegations and self-disclosure served as evidence of concurrent treatment. Research found were that more than 80% of parents seeking supervised time sharing (supervised visitation) were able to terminate these services and obtain normal access to their children without necessitating supervision, all within twelve months of these services. The research further suggest that Toby Center supervised visitation program will be most effective for addict parents when working closely with these parents' rehabilitative providers.

Importance of the Research:


Whereas thirty percent of children are found to live in single parent households; whereas forty percent of public school children are prescribed behavior modification pharmaceuticals;

whereas less than two thirds of secondary school children graduate high school; whereas twenty percent of children in single parent households do not have both parents in their lives, it is critical for society to find the means for children and parents to maintain bonds of affection.

Speaker Biography

Mark Roseman is an expert in high conflict and child custody. He has worked in the co-parenting field since 1999 when he served as Assistant Director for Child Access Services with the Children's Rights Council (CRC) in Washington, DC. He worked closely with Attorney David L. Levy, co-founder of the CRC to help bring joint custody to nearly 30 states. Today, he is the CEO of the Toby Center for Family Transitions which he founded in 2010. Based in Delray Beach, Florida, the Toby Center has emerged a major provider of supervised visitation services and reunification therapy in South and Central Florida. He served as a columnist with Knight Ridder Tribune Syndicate and a current contributor to the Huffington Post Online. A father of three, he earned his doctorate in Family Studies from the Union Institute & University with a specialty in therapeutic interventions for high conflict divorce, and shared parenting issues accompanying parental separation and divorce.

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