A ready child with a ready family, a step towards school readiness!

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What is School Readiness?



Ready Child

How are children being able to adjust to learning environment?



Ready Family

How are families able to work with their children and school system?



Ready School

How are schools creating inclusive learning environment to support the children?

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WHAT? Program Objective Ummeed Early Intervention Center prepares children within 2-6 years of age having diverse needs for transition to a school environment (mainstream inclusive or special school).

HOW?

WHO? Team

School Readiness	
READY CHILD Social relationships Self-Regulation Play Communication Adaptive Skills 	 READY FAMILY Understanding strengths & difficulties Sensitivity & responsiveness Managing behaviours



UNICEF (2009, 2012)



Study Objective



This study describes the caregiver training component of U-EIC targeting ready families dimension of school readiness

Methods

Participants:

17 caregivers of children enrolled in U-EIC

Data Collection tool:

Key to Interactive Parenting Scale (KIPS)



12 Parenting Behaviours

- 1. Sensitivity to responses
- 2. Supports emotions
- 3. Physical interaction
- 4. Involvement in Child's play
- 5. Open to child' agenda
- 6. Language experiences

- 7. Reasonable expectations
- 8. Adapt strategies to child
- 9. Limits and consequences
- 10. Supportive directions
- 11. Encouragement
- 12. Promotes exploration and curiosity





Caregiver Trainings

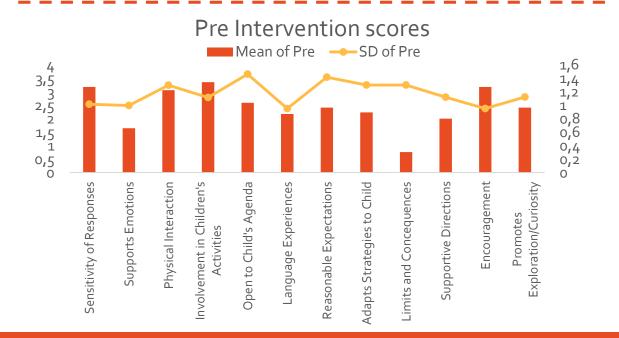
- How to play with my child?
- Working towards Functional Independence
- Behaviour as a means of communication
- Using Augmentative Assistive Communication devices
- Understanding Sensory Processing and its impact on Everyday Life



Results

Socio-demographics

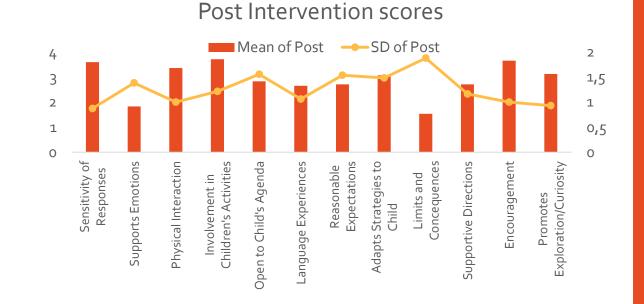
- Family income: 76.5 % below 225 USD/month
- 94.1 % mother's housewifes
- 88.3% father's skilled workers



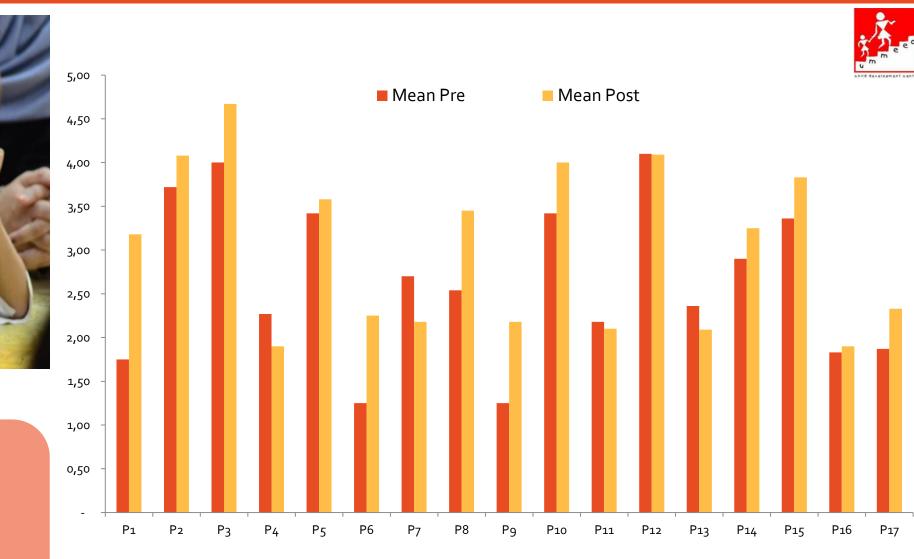
Change in Mean scores on 9 of 12

behaviours

- Sensitivity Responses
- Involvement in children's activities
- Language experiences
- Reasonable expectations
- Adapts strategies to child
- Limits and consequences
- Supportive directions
- Encouragement
- Promotes exploration and curiosity



Mean scores Statistically significant p-value= 0.013



13 of 17 caregivers demonstrated change in skills

Conclusion

Participants i.e. Caregivers

Change in caregiver-child interaction which influences the ready families' component of school readiness

- Understanding strengths and difficulties
- Transfer of knowledge beyond therapeutic context
- Shared learning and reflection



Practitioners



Influence on the practice

- Including a training component for families'
- Amalgamating different delivery styles
- Shared learning and reflection

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