Services for Individuals With Severe Disabilities: A Collaborative Approach

INTRODUCTION

Individuals with severe disabilities require services from many different providers to address their wide and varied needs. This journal self-study discusses the principles of interprofessional collaborative practice and why this approach may be the most appropriate way to provide services to those with severe disabilities. The articles discuss how interprofessional collaborative practice can improve outcomes for children with severe disabilities and describe specific examples of this type of practice, including suggestions about how SLPs can work with parents and other professionals to improve services for this challenging population. The articles utilize case studies to help illustrate key concepts.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

You will be able to:

- describe the principles of interprofessional collaborative practice
- discuss how to improve acceptance and use of interprofessional collaborative practice
- discuss at least three strategies and approaches that can be used to incorporate interprofessional collaborative practice with people with severe disabilities
- explain how SLPs can operate within the interprofessional collaborative practice framework
- describe how parents can be included in team collaboration

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