

REGIONAL INTERVENTION PROGRAM (RIP)

“PARENTS HELPING PARENTS HELPING CHILDREN”

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What is RIP?

The Regional Intervention Program (RIP) is a **parent-implemented, professionally-supported** program for young children and their families who are experiencing challenging behaviors.

History



Why Early Intervention matters?

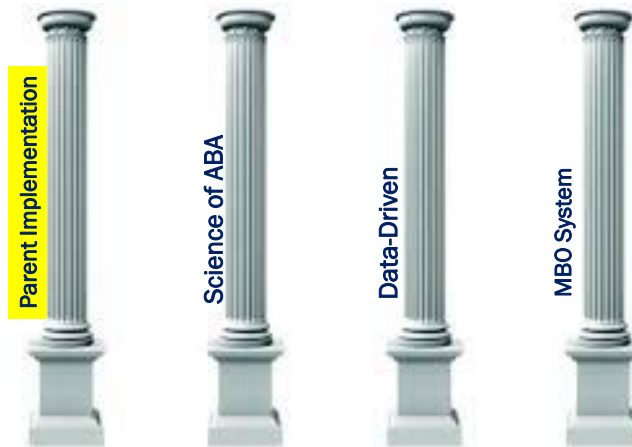
- Research

P.S. Strain & M.A. Timm (2001). Remediation and prevention of aggression: An evaluation of the Regional Intervention Program over a quarter century. Behavioral Disorders, 26 (4), 297-313.



What is the model?

RIP



Who is eligible?

- **Eligibility**
- A child up to age 6 at the time services are requested
- A child experiencing behavior challenges
- A parent or legal guardian willing to agree to services
- A parent, legal guardian, or other appropriate guardian willing to regularly participate in the program
- The family resides in the county or surrounding county of a RIP site (in Tennessee)

RIP Services

- **For Families**
 - Families enrolled in RIP actively participate in the program 2 times per week for 2 hours. It takes about 6-9 months to complete the program.
 - Many RIP sites offer Childcare/School Intervention services, Liaison services, and limited access to Consultation services

- **For Communities**
 - Tours
 - Presentations
 - Student Internship Opportunities

Where is RIP located?

WEST TENNESSEE

Memphis
University of Memphis
Ph: (901) 678-5258

MIDDLE TENNESSEE

Nashville
TDMHSAS
Ph: (615) 963-1177

Clarksville
Centerstone
Ph: (931) 920-2347

Columbia
Centerstone
Ph: (931) 490-1556

Franklin

Volunteer Behavioral
Healthcare Services
Ph: (615) 786-2821

Gallatin

Volunteer Behavioral
Healthcare Services
Ph: (615) 451-9618

Murfreesboro
Volunteer Behavioral
Healthcare Services
Ph: (615) 890-4622

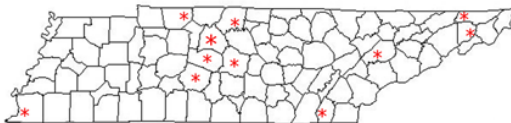
EAST TENNESSEE

Cleveland
Volunteer Behavioral
Healthcare Service
Ph: (423) 339-6781

Johnson City
Frontier Behavioral Health
Ph: (423) 232-4211

Kingsport
Frontier Behavioral Health
Ph: (423) 224-1020

Knoxville
Helen Ross McNabb Center
Inc.
Ph: (865) 523-8695 (x.1125)



What's new at RIP?

- **Technology**
 - Training & Technical Assistance
- **Social-Emotional Literacy**
 - Center on the Social Emotional Foundations for Early Learning (CSEFEL)
 - Kimochis
- **Groups**
 - Positive Solutions for Families (CSEFEL)
- **Outcome Measures**
 - Eyberg Child Behavior Inventory (ECBI)
 - Parental Stress Scale

“When we didn’t know what to do next, RIP gave us a plan, a guide. Not only has RIP helped us now, but it’s given [us] a grasp on strategies our family needs for life.” - RIP Parent/Graduate



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<https://tn.gov/behavioral-health/section/rip>