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TBM/Elementary Program Outline

"Therapeutic Behavior Management for Elementary Schools" (TBM/Elementary) is a 6-hour course designed to help K-5 teachers and support staff better understand and manage challenging behavioral and emotional issues. TBM/Elementary also offers an optional 3-hour physical component which teaches safe holds and escorts. The verbal and physical programs are based on "Therapeutic Aggression Control Techniques" (TACT2), in use since 1997 in group homes, alternative schools, residential treatment centers, etc. across the nation.

Part 1: Staying Professional (1.0 hours)

CONTENT	PURPOSE
"What Would YOU Do?"	Introductory activity, group survey of situational responses
TBM Model	Framework for sound decision making in crisis
Deliberate vs Emotional	Cues to distinguish two sources of behavior problems

Part 2: Dealing with Deliberate Misbehavior (1.5 hours)

CONTENT	PURPOSE
Needs-Fulfilling Misbehavior	Positive alternatives for negative functional behaviors
Skill: Surface Management	Distracting or redirecting minor behavior problems
Understanding Consequences	Three types of consequences
Skill: Giving Consequences	How to address problems (w/consequences) without power struggles

Part 3: Understanding Emotional Problems (1.5 hours)

CONTENT	PURPOSE
Emotional Conflict Cycle	Impact of stress and self-esteem on behavior during conflict
Childhood Trauma	Influence of childhood trauma, internalizers vs externalizers
Escalation Model	Predictable phases of emotional crisis, goal and strategies in each phase

Part 4: De-Escalating Emotional Issues (2.0 hours)

<u>CONTENT</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>
Skill: Giving Space	When and how to back off during highly emotional situations
Skill: Active Listening	How to attend and decode during somewhat emotional situations
Reflective Listening	How to reflectively listen
Adult Anger Traps	Reasons for adult anger, strategies for staying calm
Test Review	Preparing for and administering multiple choice test for certification

OPTIONAL PHYSICAL SKILLS (REQUIRES TACT₂ TRAINING)

Part 5: Physical Interventions (2.0-3.0 hours, as needed)

<u>CONTENT</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>
Volatile Situations	Verbal strategies for volatile, potentially dangerous situations
Physical Intervention Skills	How to safely hold child (bear hug hold, cradle hold) How to safely remove child (one person and team escort)

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