



How To Create Power With People We Support



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Our Goal Is "Belonging to community"







What is Power?

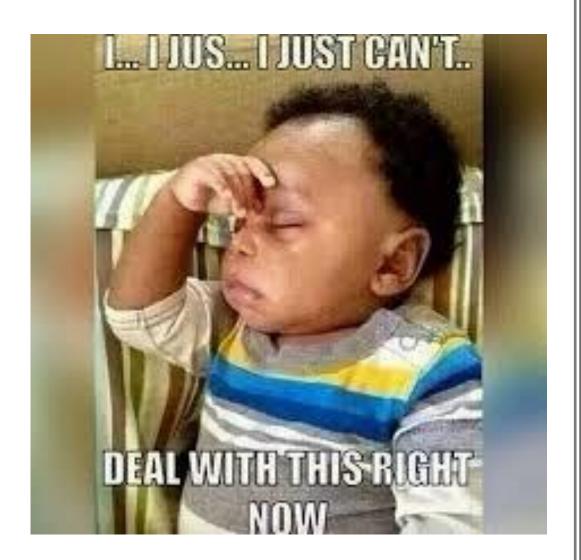
- Power is the potential ability to influence behavior, to change the course of events, to overcome resistance and to get people to do things they would not otherwise do.
- It is the ability or official capacity to exercise control or authority over a person, group, or nation.
- Power exists on all levels of life from the household to the government of a country. In some way we all have someone who can influence our behavior or our decisions.
- Power is vested in us by the dependence of others—by how much they need what we control and by how few alternatives there are.

~ Dr. Mansour Sharifzadeh

Types of Power



- <u>Legitimate Power</u>: Comes from a person's position or job in the organization
- Reward Power: Is the power to give or withhold rewards such as money, promotion, recognition or anything of perceived value.
- <u>Coercive Power</u>: Is available when the power holder can exert influence using punishment and threat.
- <u>Referent Power</u>: Exists when the power holder is well liked by others
- <u>Expert Power</u>: A person has expert power when he or she has special information or expertise that the organization values



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Terminal Irritation

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Importance Of Environments

- · Causes significant aggression or depression.
- What is toxic to one person may not be toxic to someone else
- Results in Power Over. as we try and control the aggression or withdrawal

Power Over

Tolerated Toxic

- People are depressed, have given up.
- · We see "learned helplessness"
- May have been toxic but people feel powerless
- There is no (or very little) growth

- In a supportive setting there is growth.
- People have moved from toxic or tolerated "blossom."
- There is Power With
- This is the minimum for everyone.

Supportive

Power With

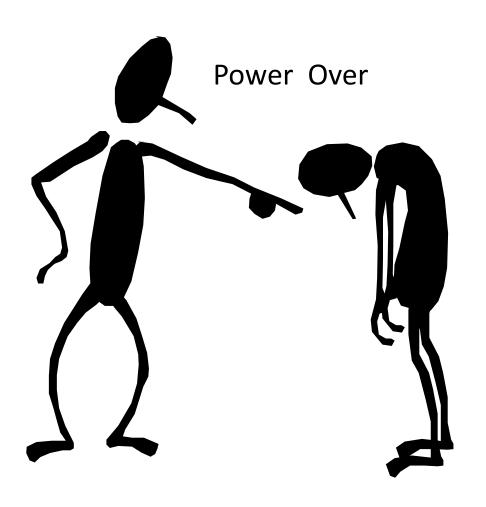
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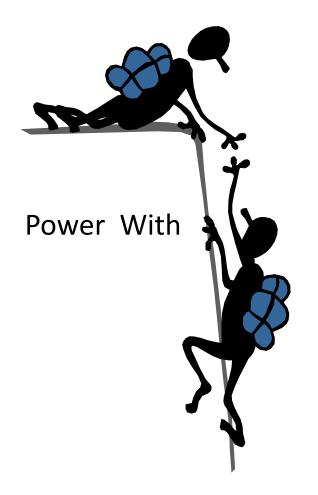
- Needed for some people wounded by toxic or tolerated settings
- Focus is on restoration and wellness. There is a need to partner with clinical supports

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Health & Safety Dictate Lifestyle



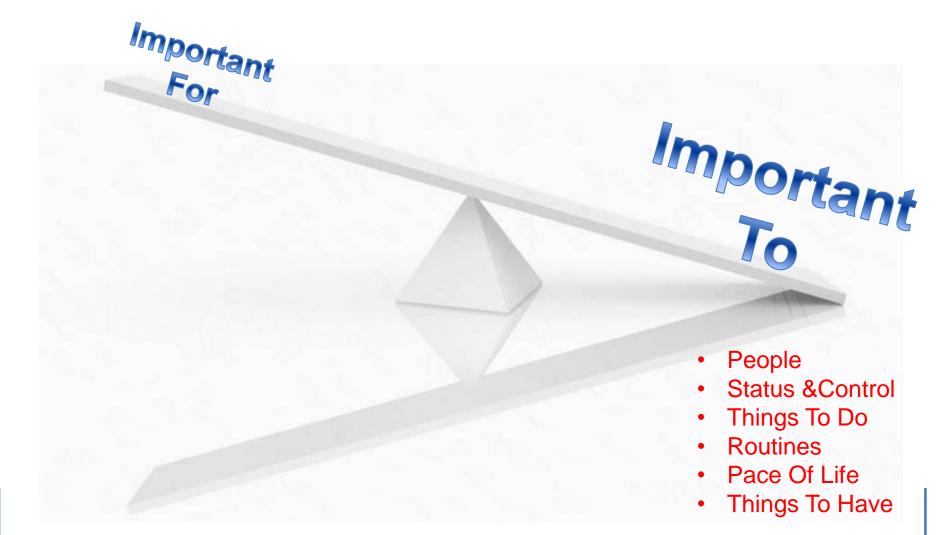
Important To

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- Health & Safety
- Being Valued

All Choice No Responsibility





Balance



Important For

- Health & Safety
- Being Valued

Important To

- People
- Status &Control
- Things To Do
- Routines
- Pace Of Life
- Things To Have



Choice and Balance

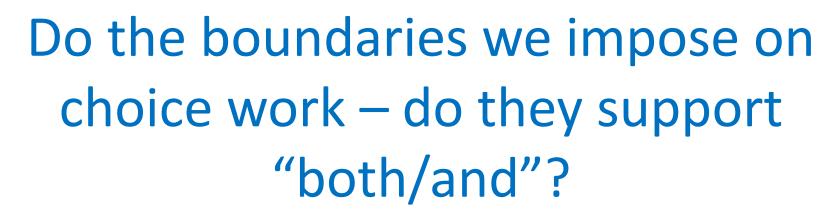
- As we think about choice, we can see
 - All choice is irresponsible (happy and dead)
 - And dictating lifestyle is unacceptable (alive and miserable)
- Good support means finding the balance
 - We all have a right to make choices, even bad choices
 - We are paid to "help household members stay safe"
 - Finding the balance can create conflict

Choice has Boundaries



- All choice includes responsibilities
- The question is always: where should the boundaries be drawn?
 - The answer is impacted by many factors
 - Imposed by society (laws, expectations/values)
 - My values (what is/is not ok for me and those I trust)
 - Ripple effect (one choice created boundaries on other choices)
 - Resource driven (how much time/money available)
 - Risk involved

The difference is when the boundaries are set for the convenience of the system therefore limiting choices that meet the person's desires: Operating hours, staff available, policies or procedures.





- What is the best balance for each person between "to" and "for"?
- Do we keep in mind that it changes
 - If we are successful, the person takes increasing responsibility.



Creating that Balance

- If something is important for us and is also important to us, we will do it
- If something important for us is not important to us, we have no interest in doing it
 - Learned moderation
 - Coercion
 - External control
- If it is important for us and to someone else who is important to us, we will take efforts to make it happen

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Meeting CMS Expectations

- Access to food for residents
- Visiting hours for resident families/ friends
- Decorating and furnishing the resident rooms like they want.
- Privacy in own bedroom/choice of roommates
- Community Integration
- Independence in making life choices



A Method to Support Decision Making:

based on **SCARF**: a brain-based model for collaborating with and influencing others

by David Rock

from

NeuroLeadership journal

issue one 2008



SCARF Is...

Status

Certainty

Autonomy

Relatedness

Fairness

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Status

- Status is about relative importance to others.
 - People seek status
 - Pecking order
 - -Status "threats" create defensiveness
- Challenging others in the household
- Managing status and status seeking

Certainty



- Certainty concerns being able to predict the future.
 - Create structures; things that household members will expect
 - –Security
 - -Schedules
 - –Follow through

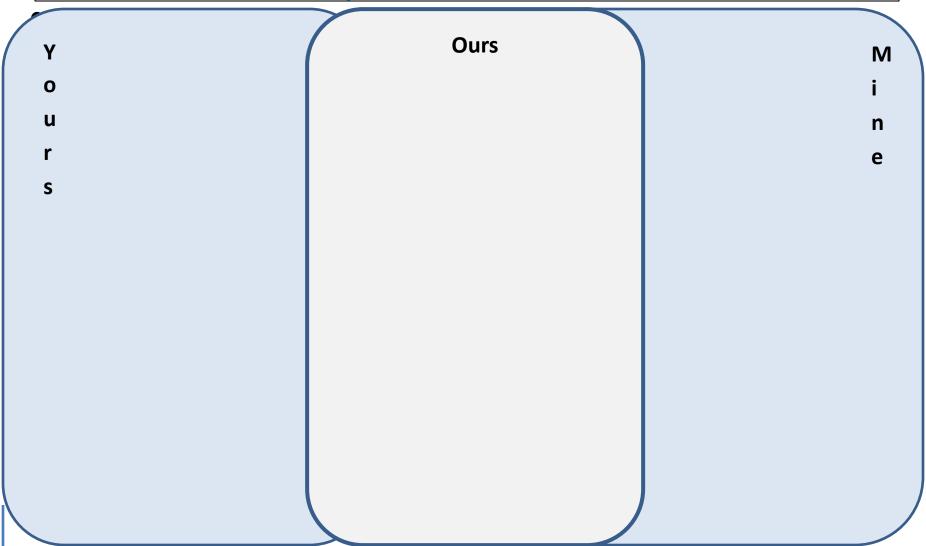


Autonomy

- Autonomy provides a sense of control over events.
- Even a subtle perception of autonomy can help
- What do you do during your day that gives some control (or a sense of control).

Creating Power With Someone: Yours, Mine and Ours:

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Relatedness

- Relatedness is a sense of safety with others, of friend rather than foe.
- When you do not feel part of the group your empathy with others in the group drops dramatically
- What can we do to help members of the group feel that it is a matter of "us" not "them"

Fairness



- Fairness is a perception of fair exchanges between people.
- It is perception
 - Do we walk our talk?
 - –Are processes transparent?
 - –Are expectations clear?
 - Do household members feel listened to?





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