

# Creating Opportunities with Change Conversations



## Welcome!

We want people to participate but please use the 'raise hand' facility to ask questions and contribute when others are talking.

Please be considerate to others - together we want to create a safe, open and reflective space to learn.

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Please do take the time to complete it after the session.

Thank you!

# **Session Aims**



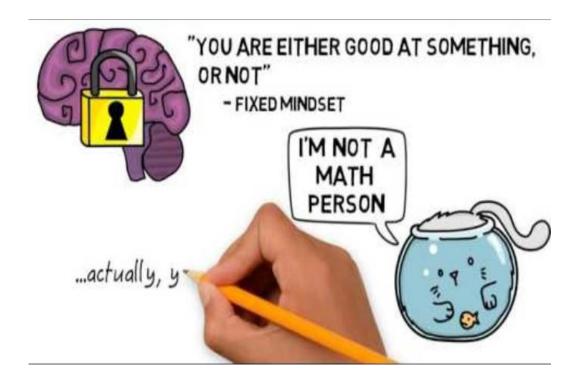
- To explore Fixed and Growth Mindsets
- To look at Sustain and Change Talk
   within Motivational interviewing

 To consider how we utilise these behaviour mindset theories in working with motivation to change.



#### PARENTAL MOTIVATION TO CHANGE

1) Child focused care giving.	2) Adult focused care giving.	<ol> <li>Child's Needs are secondary to adults.</li> </ol>	4) Child's needs are not considered.
Carer is concerned about children's welfare; wants to meet	Carer seems concerned about children's welfare and claims	Carer is not concerned enough about children's needs to	Carer rejects the parental role and takes a hostile attitude
their physical, social, and emotional needs to the extent	he/she wants to meet their needs, but has problems with	change or address competing demands on their time and	toward child care responsibilities.
he/she understands them.	own pressing circumstances and	money. This leads to some of	
Carer is determined to act in best	needs.	the children's needs not being met.	Carer does not see that they have a responsibility to the child,
interests of children.	Professed concern is often not translated into effective action,	Carer does not have the right	and can often see the child as responsible totally for
Has realistic confidence that	but carer expresses regrets own	'priorities' when it comes to child	themselves or belief that any
he/she can overcome problems and is willing to ask for help when	difficulties dominating.	care; may take an indifferent attitude.	harm that befalls the child is their own fault, that there is
needed Is prepared to make	Would like to change, but finds it	The second	something about the child that
sacrifices for children	hard. May be disorganised, not take enough time, or pays	There is lack of interest in the children and in their welfare and	deserves ill treatment and hostile parenting.
	insufficient attention; may	development.	
	misread 'signals' from children; may exercise poor judgement.		May seek to give up the responsibility for children



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Negative self talk is unkind, critical, and upsetting.



- What do you think could be the impact of negative self talk?
- Positive self talk is kind, supportive and affirming.
- Write down a positive sentence that helps you when you need a boost.
- Consider the difference that could make in terms of motivation.



# Networks

- Our thinking can be influenced by people or things we spend more time with.
- These could be people, apps, social media, video games.
- What kind of messages might someone receive? Are they positive or negative?
- How can we support people to seek people and situations that are supportive and are a positive influence?



### The Importance of Effort

No matter what your ability is, effort is what ignites that ability and turns it into accomplishment.

Carol S. Dweck, Mindset: The New Psychology of Success.

## **Stepping Stones**





- Empathy
- Acknowledge Effort
- Learn from setbacks
- How quickly can we put what we've learned into our next step?
- How long will it take?

This response honours their struggle and yet gives them a tool to help them persist.



# What is Motivational Interviewing?

Motivational Interviewing is a collaborative conversation style for strengthening a person's own motivation and commitment to change.

#### Ambivalence

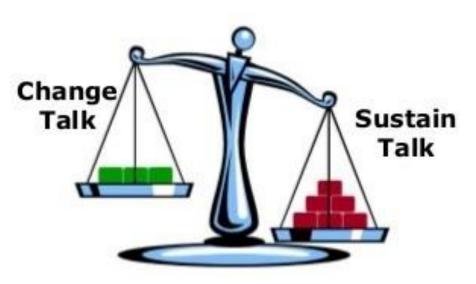
-The state of having mixed feelings or contradictory ideas about something

## Change Talk

 Any self-expressed language that is an argument for change

### Sustain Talk

Any self-expressed
 language that is an
 argument against change or
 supports the status quo





Example of Change talk/Sustain talk in action

I'm so exhausted from trying to cope with my kids' behaviour. I want to make changes but I don't know where to begin.

Nothing ever works and they don't listen any way so what's the point. All I get is grief off them and I can't do it anymore. I just feel like giving up and running away.

I want things to be different and for us to be happy like we used to be,

but I just feel so overwhelmed. It's too much for me to do on my own. Example of Change talk/Sustain talk in action

Everyone does it round here, no one I know doesn't do it. There's nothing wrong with it.

Sometimes I do get a bit paranoid and wonder if I should cut down a bit.

But it helps me to chill out and forget about what is happening at home.

I suppose I could try not to smoke on my own as much.

I don't think I could cope without it.

But I do get bored sometimes of just hanging around here and smoking with nothing to do.

- More entrenched Sustain talk in this example
- I've had enough you need to come and get him. He's pushed me to this. He's got himself into this mess. It's not my fault.
- God knows I've tried and sometimes it seems like things get better
- but then he throws it all in my face and we are back to square one. I can't cope with him anymore.
- I cannot live like this anymore.
- Why should I anyway he never does anything for me and only thinks about himself.

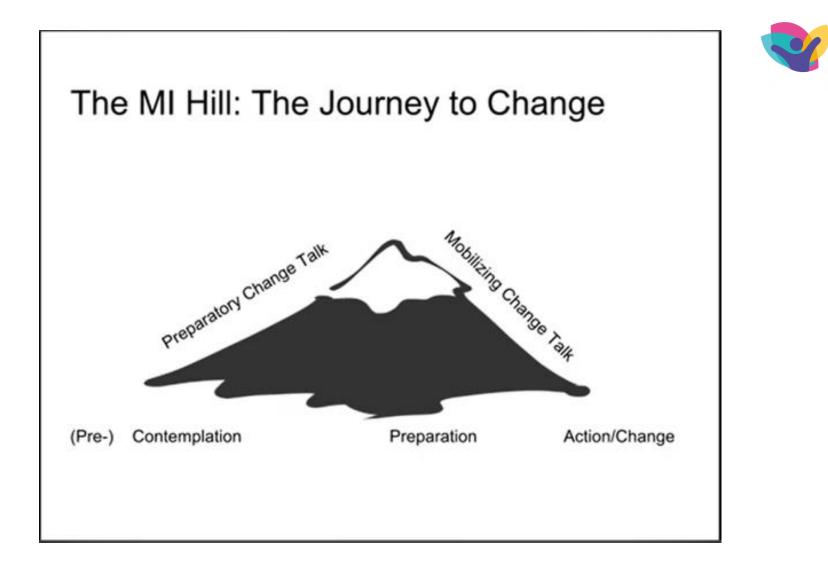


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Change Talk-



- 1) Listen for it
- 2) Reflect it back (I'm hearing/it sounds like)
- 3) Draw it out (curious questions/tell me more about)
- When providing a double sided reflection (reflecting both the sustain talk and the change talk)
- Always try to end on the change talk e.g.
- *"I'm hearing you feel overwhelmed right now but I'm also hearing you want things to be different, tell me more about how you want things to be different...."*



## Will do..



 Consider these ideas and how you can apply within the work you do

 Identify something new you can try or someone you're working with who might benefit from one of these types of conversation

#### Please let us know what you think





#### https://forms.office.com/e/PqVNki3HUA

