



Tools to Use to Address Behavior Targets

LASARD Effective Practices Workshop
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Objectives for this LAB



Participants will:

- Identify selected indicators in the Key Area of Behavior.
- Locate resources for Evidence Based Practices in the Key Area of Behavior.
- Locate and utilize preference assessment resources.
- Determine effective behavior goals and objectives.
- Graph data by using progress monitoring resources.



Louisiana Autism Quality Indicators in Key Area of Behavior



- I51. School wide systems utilizing positive behavior supports are implemented with all students.
- I52. Class wide student-specific behavior management systems target positive consequences rather than punitive measures.
- I52a. Individualized behavior management systems target positive consequences rather than punitive measures.
- I53. FBAs are conducted to assess problem behaviors.
- I54. BIPs are based on individualized FBA.
- I55. BIPs include procedures to increase replacement behavior.
- I56. Evidence of identified student preferences exists in lesson plans and IEP.
- I57. The reinforcement students are working for is identified before a student begins his/her work.
- I58. Evidence of the application of data analysis to modify behavioral plans is available.



Highlighted Indicators



- 156. Evidence of identified student preferences exists in lesson plans and IEP.
- 153. FBAs are conducted to assess problem behaviors
- 154. BIPs are based on individualized FBA.
- 155. BIPs include procedures to increase replacement behavior.
- 158. Evidence of the application of data analysis to modify behavioral plans is available.



EBP Practices



- Antecedent based interventions
- Differential reinforcement
- Extinction
- Functional Behavior Assessment (FBA)
- Functional Communication Training (FCT)
- Pivotal Response Training
- Prompting
- Reinforcement
- Response interruption/redirection
- Self-management



Where do I find this?



<http://autismpdc.fpg.unc.edu/>



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A multi-university center to promote the use of evidence-based practice for children and adolescents with autism spectrum disorders

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Working With States



Through 2010, twelve states have been selected through a competitive application process for a two-year partnership with the National Professional Development Center (NPDC) on ASD.

The National Professional Development Center on Autism Spectrum Disorders is a multi-university center to promote the use of evidence-based practice for children and adolescents with autism spectrum disorders. The Center operates through three sites that include the [FPG Child Development Institute](#) at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, the [M.I.N.D. Institute](#) at University of California at Davis Medical School, and the [Waisman Center](#) at the University of Wisconsin at Madison. Each year, three states are selected through a competitive application process for a two-year partnership with the Professional Development Center. The Center works in

[State Partners Login](#)

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NEWS AND EVENTS

[Early Identification of Autism Spectrum Disorders Learning Module available](#)

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Communicative Function of Behavior



- Challenging behavior occurs when individuals cannot adequately communicate their needs.
- The exhibited behavior becomes an effective means of communication.
- To the individual, the challenging behavior seems reasonable and logical.
- Behaviors are messages!

Koegel, L.K., Koegel, R.L., and Dunlap, G. (1996)



What is this
behavior trying to
say?

That is the
FUNCTION of
the behavior!



To determine the function, a
quality FBA needs to be
conducted

- For steps, see the NPDC brief
on FBA





FBA Example – St. Tammany Parish



St. Tammany Parish Public Schools FUNCTIONAL BEHAVIOR ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

Student: Britney Franklin

Grade: 6

Date: 9.4.11

Special Education Yes: (Exceptionality: Autism)

Teacher: Judy Diamond

Person completing FBA: Susan Lemonier

The purpose of a functional behavior assessment is to determine what “pay off” the student is getting from a particular undesirable behavior in order to teach him / her more appropriate ways to get the same benefit. A functional behavior assessment should be conducted (after parental permission is received) when traditional classroom management and positive behavior support strategies have not been successful in correcting a student’s behavior.

Specific Identification of Interfering Behavior

INFORMATION

Britney is currently under the care of Dr. Millie Sue Jackson for her medical concerns which include high blood sugar. Currently, Britney is taking the following medications: xxxxxx .1 mg at bedtime for sleep and xxxxx 500 mg am and pm to regulate blood sugar.

DESCRIPTION OF BEHAVIOR OF CONCERN

Behaviors of Concern:

Self injury (SIB- biting hand, banging head on floor, hitting head with hand, hitting side, falling to the ground, slamming back to the floor)

Physical Aggression-(charging, biting, scratching, hitting)



FBA Example – Data collection

Teacher interview



Teacher Interview:

Communication

How does the student communicate basic feelings, strengths, wants, and needs?

Take an adults hand and puts it on her stomach to indicate discomfort, takes adult by the hand to items she wants, uses loud vocalizations to indicate pleasure, displeasure and discomfort

Description of Behavior of Concern

When is the behavior of concern likely to occur?

When engaged in a preferred activity

How often does the behavior of concern occur?

Daily

How long does the behavior of concern last

Episodes of SIB- 1 to 10 minutes
Episodes of Physical Aggression occur for less than a minute.



FBA Example – Data collection

Parent interview



Parent Interview:

Please contact the student's parent and use the interview questions below to gather information. You may rephrase questions if needed to gather necessary information.

Date: 9.1.11

Interviewer Name: Susan Lemonier

Parent Name: Brenda Franklin

Strengths

What does the student do well?

Britney can get what she needs from refrigerator or cabinets. She can do some daily skills with help from adults.

Communication

How does the student communicate basic feelings, strengths, wants, and needs?

Britney can take us by the hand to what she wants, and lets us know what hurts by putting our hand on the part of her body that hurts. Britney hits us or hits herself or falls to the ground and bites herself if she cannot make us understand what she wants.

Description of Behavior of Concern

List any behaviors that you think are problematic at school.

Hitting, biting, scratching and charging at adults and children, biting her hand, banging her head, and falling to the floor when she does not get her way.

Is the behavior physical aggression and self injury seen at home?

Yes. All the behaviors seen at school are seen at home.

When is the behavior of concern likely to occur?

When Britney wants something she cannot have or if an adult wants her to do something she does not want to do,



FBA Example – Data collection

Direct Observation – Frequency and ABC

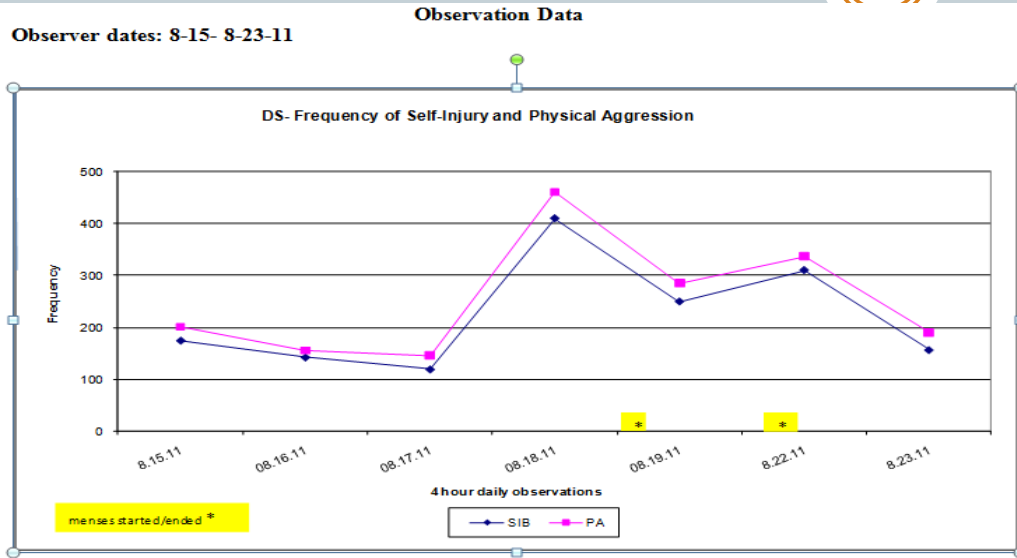


Figure 1 demonstrates the frequency of Self injury defined as any biting of hand, banging head on floor, hitting head with hand, hitting side, falling to the ground, slamming back to the floor that is audible or leaves a mark and Physical Aggression (charging, biting, scratching, hitting) from 8.15.11-8.23.11. There was an escalation of Self Injury and Physical Aggression on the day prior to Britney's menstruation.

Target Behavior	Antecedent	Consequence	Function
<u>Self Injury</u>	Computer unavailable	Block/Redirect	Tangible denied
<u>Self Injury</u>	Transition from non-preferred activity, Task demand	Block/Redirect	Escape
<u>Physical Aggression</u>	Computer unavailable	Block, Redirect, NCI	Tangible denied
<u>Physical Aggression</u>	Transition from non-preferred activity, Task demand	Redirect	Escape



FBA Example – Hypothesis Development and Replacement Behavior



HYPOTHESIS

Review All Data to Generate Hypothesis:

Britney engages in Self Injury in when tangible items (computer) is denied and to escape non-preferred activities.

Britney engages in Physical Aggression when a tangible item (computer) is denied to escape non-preferred activities.

REPLACEMENT BEHAVIOR/ACCEPTABLE ALTERNATIVE BEHAVIOR

Functionally Equivalent Behavior: Functional Communication Training (Picture Exchange Communication System) to request access to the computer (ex: "I want computer.") and to appropriately request and escape form a non-preferred activity (ex: "I need a break.")

Identify a replacement behavior



Replacement behavior should:

- Serve the same function as challenging behavior
- Be easily taught
- Be acceptable and appropriate for the environment and student
- Be recognizable by multiple communicative partners



Franzone (2009)



Example of replacement behavior on BIP



The focus on teaching a Replacement Behavior is to reduce the occurrence of a Target Behavior by teaching the individual a new skills that will provide them with the same “function” of the Target behavior: Stacy’s use of picture symbols will be honored when she wants to end an activity or leave a setting rather than using Aggression to accomplish this.

Replacement (positive) behaviours to increase	What I do to increase these behaviors
Picture symbols to escape unpreferred activities – Break Card; access to preferred activities – cooking and cleaning dishes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Staff should provide Stacy with access to picture symbols at all times.•Staff should visually prompt Stacy to tap or pick up the picture symbols to communicate.•Staff should offer choices of activities using one, two or three words phrases and picture symbol cards.•Stacy will have access to a break card at all times.



Resources - Replacement Behavior



http://www.pent.ca.gov/dsk/sec6/bspmanual_sec6pg10-12.pdf

Replacement Behavior Checklist					
Target/Replacement Behavior # 1	Q # 1 Will it result in the same outcome as the targeted behavior?	Q # 2 Is it something that is easily done by the student?	Q # 3 Can he/she be taught it?	Q # 4 Will it work in the classroom?	Q # 5 Is it something that is easily acknowledged?
	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	No	No	No	No	No

<http://www.projectidealonline.org/teaching-appropriate-behavior.php>

<http://cecp.air.org/fba/problembehavior3/strategies3.htm>



What could be a potential replacement behavior for a student that runs out of the classroom to escape classwork?

1. TSW not run
2. TSW ask for a break
3. TSW complete all work



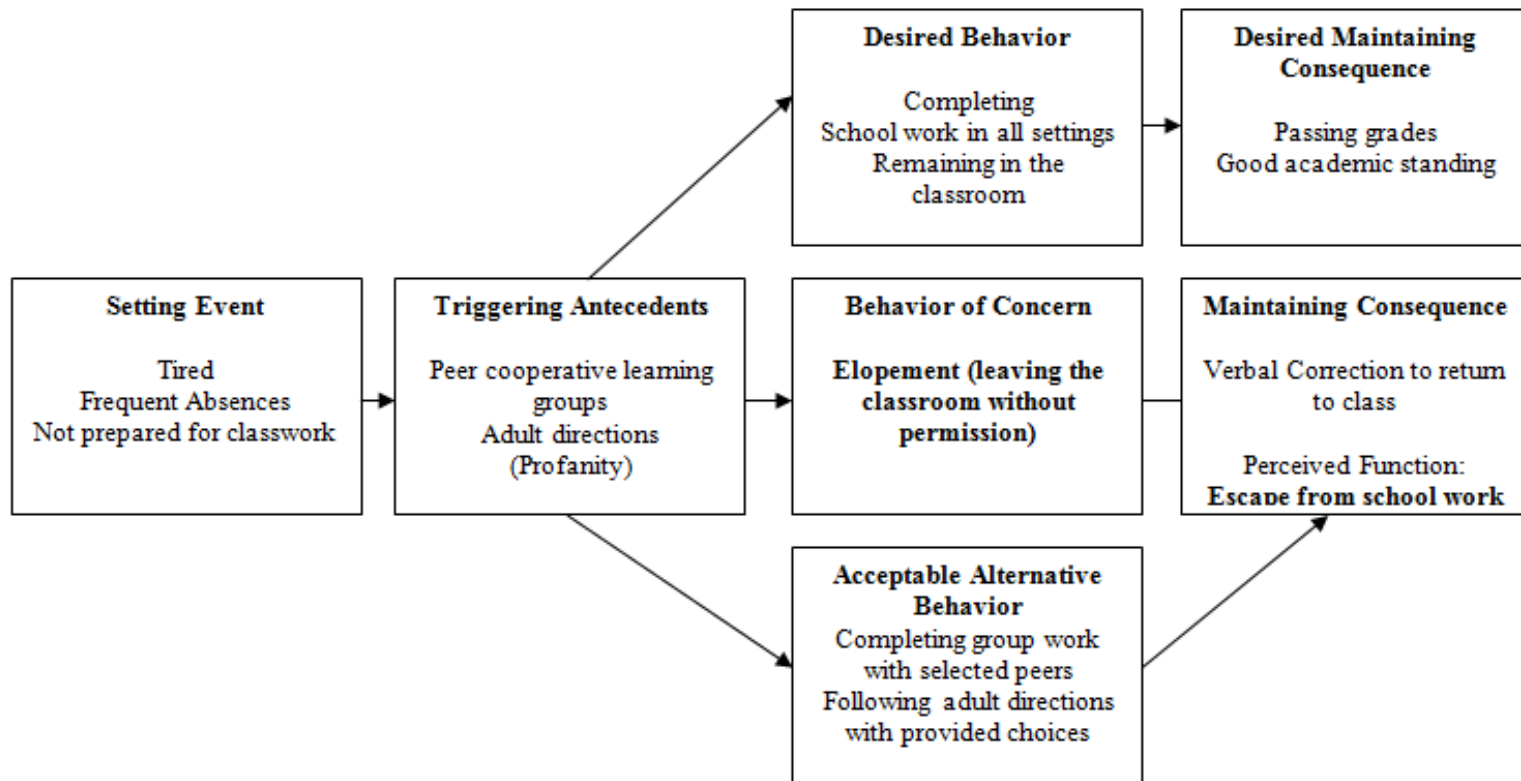
What could be a potential replacement behavior for a student that makes loud noises to gain peer and teacher attention?

1. TSW ask for the teacher or peer by activating a Big Mack
2. TSW quit making noises
3. TSW speak quietly

Competing Pathways

Competing Pathways Worksheet

Please use the current FBA to complete the competing pathways worksheet for each behavior of concern (e.g. if there are two behaviors of concern, then two competing pathways worksheets are necessary).



Adapted from: O'Neill, R. E., Horner, R. H., Albin, R. W., Sprague, J. R., Storey, K., & Newton, J. S. (1997)



Competing Pathways



Setting Event Interventions (How will you neutralize the setting event – ex. provide time to review material prior to quizzes)	Antecedent Interventions (How will you change the antecedents so that they are no longer effective – ex. signal coming transitions)	Behavior Teaching Interventions (How will you teach and reinforce the alternative behavior – direct instruction with role play daily for one week and praise performance)	Consequence Interventions (How will you minimize reinforcement for the problem behavior and maximize reinforcement for the alternative behavior – ex. daily school-home note)
<p>Parent will monitor sleep habits.</p> <p>Parent will insure that student attends school daily unless sick.</p> <p>Parent will check FHS on STI for schedules and assignments for classes.</p>	<p>The teachers and Rodney will create a Behavior Contract with the following agreements:</p> <p>Rodney will be offered a choice to complete work alone or with selected peers.</p> <p>The teachers will provide individual tutoring on predetermined afternoons after school so he can complete missed assignments</p>	<p>Teachers will provide frequent praise for completing assignments and remaining in the classroom</p> <p>Rodney can earn opportunities to play the acoustic guitar during cooperative learning groups. (“guitar time”)</p> <p>1. Rodney will earn “guitar time” minutes for completing assignments and homework.</p>	<p>Teachers will offer praise extra help during class when Rodney asks for help.</p> <p>Teachers will offer Rodney a 5 minutes break and praise him if he asks appropriately (“May I have a break, please.”)</p>
	<p>Rodney can have the band practice at his mother’s house 3 times/week for an hour when there is evidence of passing grades</p>	<p>2. Rodney earns “guitar time” for remaining in the classroom.</p> <p>Teachers will prompt Rodney to ask for help or a break when they notice it is needed.</p>	

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How do you increase the replacement behavior?

REINFORCEMENT



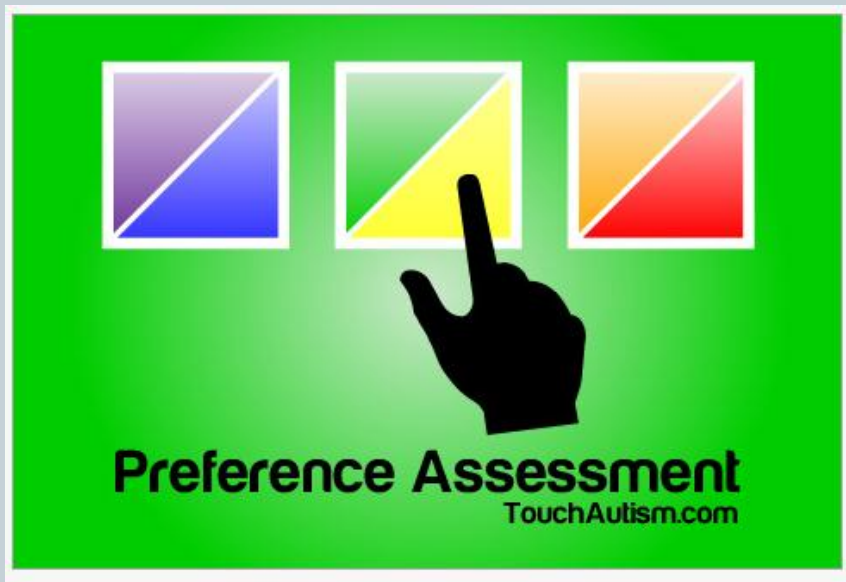
How do you know what is reinforcing?

PREFERENCE ASSESSMENT



Identifying Potential Reinforcers

iPhone/iPad app



<http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/preference-reinforcer-assessment/id436692530?mt=8>

Intervention Central

Jackpot! Reinforcer Survey Generator



Jackpot!

Create Classroom-Friendly
Reinforcer Surveys On-Line



http://www.interventioncentral.org/tools/jackpot_reinforcer_survey_generator



IEP Goals and Objectives



- Goal: One calendar year.
- Objectives: Short term leading to goal.
- Both should be:
 - Individualized and specific
 - Observable and measurable

(Is the Behavior Specific and Objective?)



- Can you count the number of times the behavior occurs? That is, can you tell someone the behavior occurs X number of times or X number of minutes today? **YES!**
- Will a stranger know exactly what to look for when you tell him/her the target behavior you are planning to modify? That is, can you actually see the child performing the behavior when it occurs? **YES!**
- Can you break down the target behavior into smaller components, each of which is more specific and observable than the original target behavior?

NO!

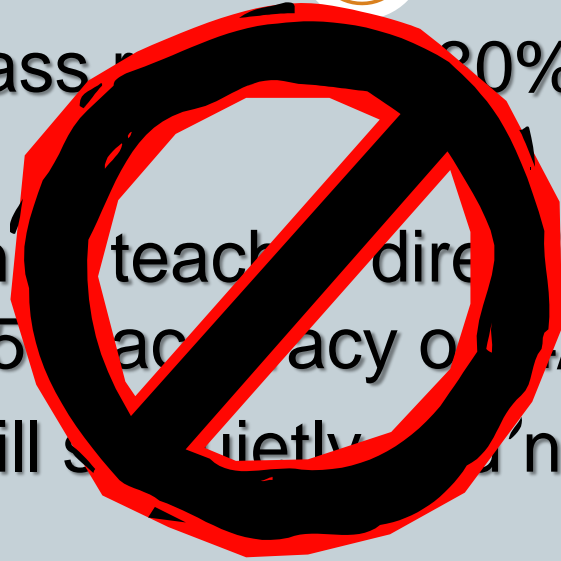
Morris (1976) in Alberto and Troutman



Are these individualized and specific? Observable and measurable?



- TSW follow class rules with 80% accuracy on 4/5 trials.
- TSW will listen to teacher directions with a positive attitude with 85% accuracy on 4/5 trials.
- The student will sit quietly and not yell out during class.





Do your IEP goals contain the following components:



- ☐ *From a baseline of _____, “the student” will....*
- ☐ *perform a specific skill*
- ☐ *a specified number of times*
- ☐ *under specified conditions (including EBPs)*
- ☐ *at a specified level of achievement*
- ☐ *for a specific length of time.*



- PLOP: George's teachers report he makes loud noises which disrupt the class. Based on the results of the FBA, George makes loud noises in class in order to gain teacher attention.
- GOAL: Using Functional Communication Training procedures, George will gain teacher attention by using socially valid communication methods with 90% accuracy over 10 consecutive trials by May 2012.

Identify the components we've discussed in this example.



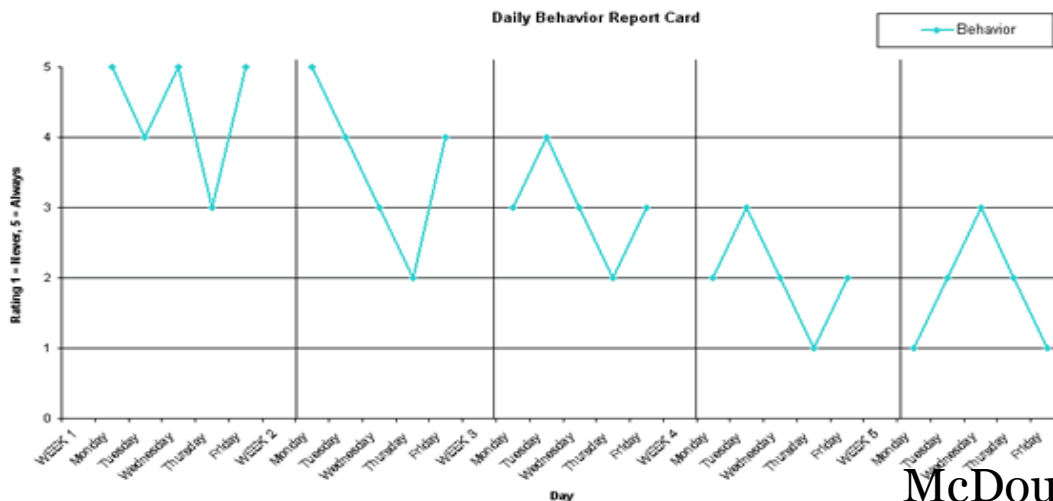
- Objectives:

- After initial FCT, George will hold up a communication card when he wants teacher attention, on 9/10 trials weekly by November 2011.
- After mastering holding up the card, George will increase the time between showing the card and gaining teacher attention by 10 sec increments to 2 min on 9/10 trials weekly by February 2012.
- George will hold up the card to gain teacher attention with various teachers across the school day on 9/10 trials weekly by April 2012.

Identify the components we've discussed in this example.



- Important to determine if the plan working
- Determine the type of data you will collect – frequency, duration, interval
- How will you graph the data?
- How often will you revisit the data as a team?



McDougal, Clark, & Wilson (n.d.)



Data Collection Apps for iPhone/iPad



- Direct Assessment Tracking Application (D.A.T.A.)
 - <http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/d.a.t.a/id448028783?mt=8>

D.A.T.A By Behavior Science.org, LLC

Open iTunes to buy and download apps.



Description

The Direct Assessment Tracking App tracks how long events occur over time. It tracks a wide range of events in a variety of

[D.A.T.A Support](#) ▶

iPhone Screenshots



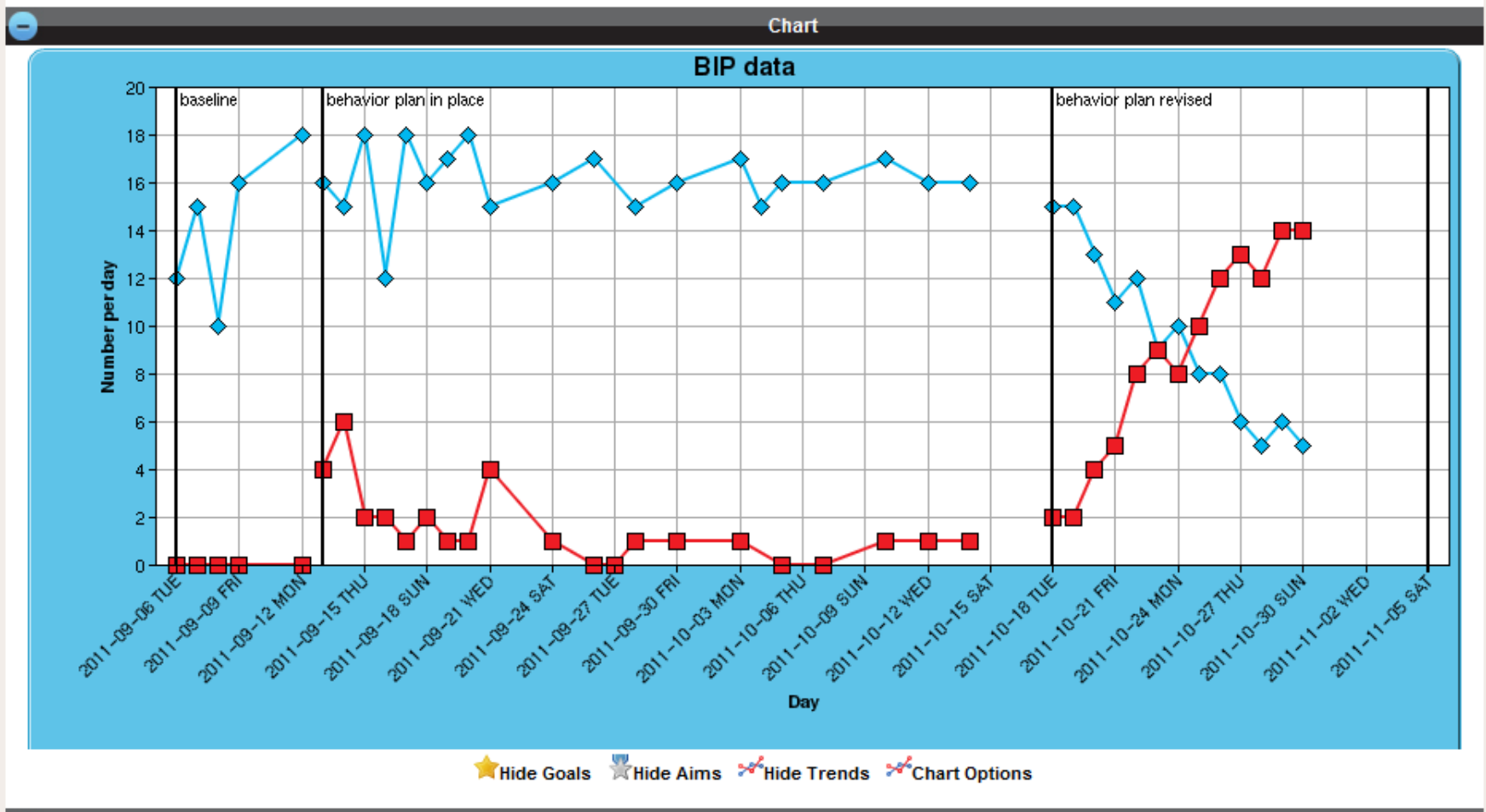
Progress Monitoring Resources



- Microsoft Excel
- http://www.oswego.edu/~mcdougal/web_site_4_11_2005/index.html
 - Data collection and graphing resources
- <http://www.compassautism.com/products/>
 - iPad app – Catalyst – pricey (site license - \$179/mo)
- http://rtitools.com/Progress_Monitoring/Tools/
 - Links to different sites

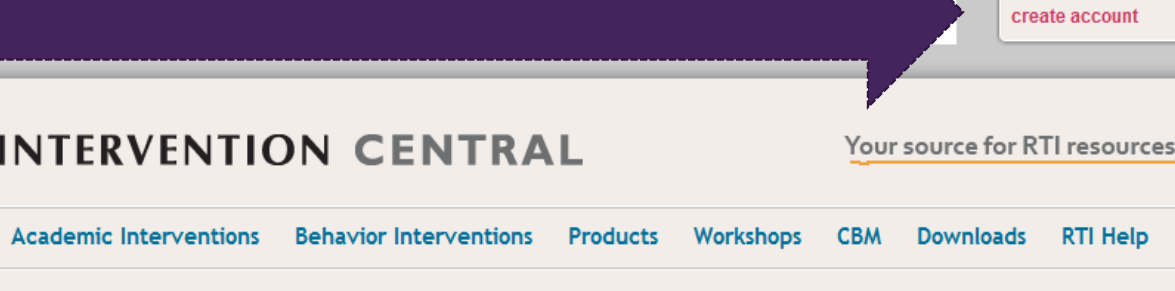


Progress Monitoring Resource ChartDog Graphmaker



http://www.interventioncentral.org/tools/chart_dog_graph_maker





The screenshot shows the Intervention Central website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links: Home, Academic Interventions, Behavior Interventions, Products, Workshops, CBM, Downloads, RTI Help, and Contact. The main heading is "INTERVENTION CENTRAL" with the tagline "Your source for RTI resources". A large purple arrow points from the left towards the "ChartDog Graphmaker" section. Below the heading, there is a section for "ChartDog Graphmaker" with a sub-heading "CHARTDOG GRAPHMAKER". A note says "If you have any suggestions or comments about this tool, please mail me." Below this, there is a "My Chart" section with a table. The table has a header "My Chart" and a first column labeled "My Phase". The table is currently empty.



Demo of Chart Dog

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Go to Chart Options to name the chart, the X axis, and the Y axis.

ChartDog Graphmaker

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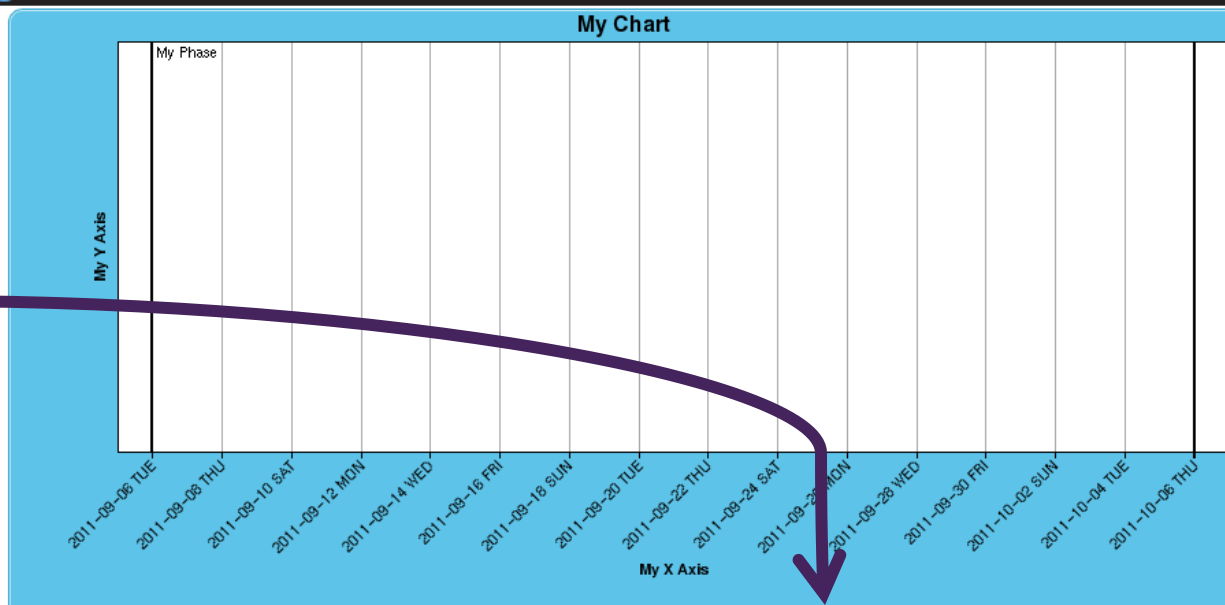
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Instructions



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✖ Chart Options



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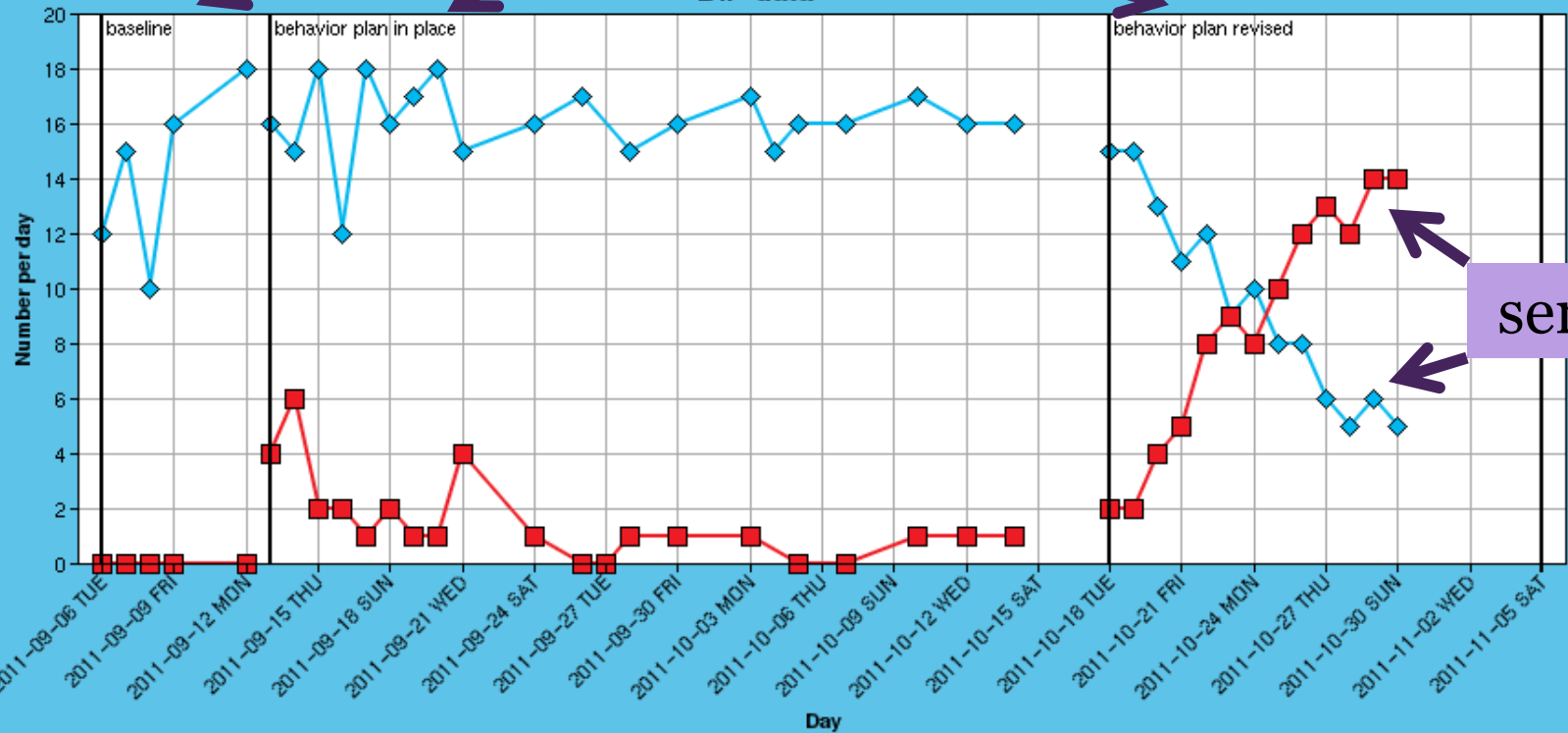
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phases

Chart

BIP data

series



★ Hide Goals ★ Hide Aims ✂ Hide Trends ✂ Chart Options



Demo of Chart Dog

Create New Phases

To create new phase

The interface shows a 'Data' header with a minus icon. Below it is a 'Create New Phase' button with a green plus icon. To the right are two series boxes: 'Series 1 hide' (red border) and 'Series 2 hide' (blue border), each with a pencil icon. Below the 'Create New Phase' button are three icons: 'Blackouts' (calendar), 'Goals' (star), and 'Aims' (star). Below these is a phase entry box labeled 'My Phase' with the date range '2011-09-06 through 2011-10-06'. To the right of this box are two 'Create New Entry' buttons with green plus icons. Below the phase entry box are two icons: a pencil (edit) and a red X (delete).

To edit phase

To delete phase

The form is titled 'CREATE NEW PHASE' and contains the following fields:

- Name: baseline
- Start Date: 2011-10-07
- End Date: 2011-11-07
- Comments: (empty text area)
- Keep Comments Private?: ☐

A 'SAVE' button is located at the bottom right of the form.



Demo of Chart Dog

Entering data into series

behavior plan in place
2011-09-13 through 2011-09-20

2011-09-13 4



2011-09-14 6



2011-09-15 2



2011-09-16 2



2011-09-17 1



2011-09-18 2



2011-09-19 1



2011-09-20 1



Create New Entry



2011-09-13 16



2011-09-14 15



2011-09-15 18



2011-09-16 12



2011-09-17 18



2011-09-18 16



2011-09-19 17



2011-09-20 1



Create New Entry



behavior plan revised

2011-09-21 through 2011-10-11

2011-09-21 4



Create New Entry



Enter new data

Edit data

Delete data

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Comments

Keep Comments Private?



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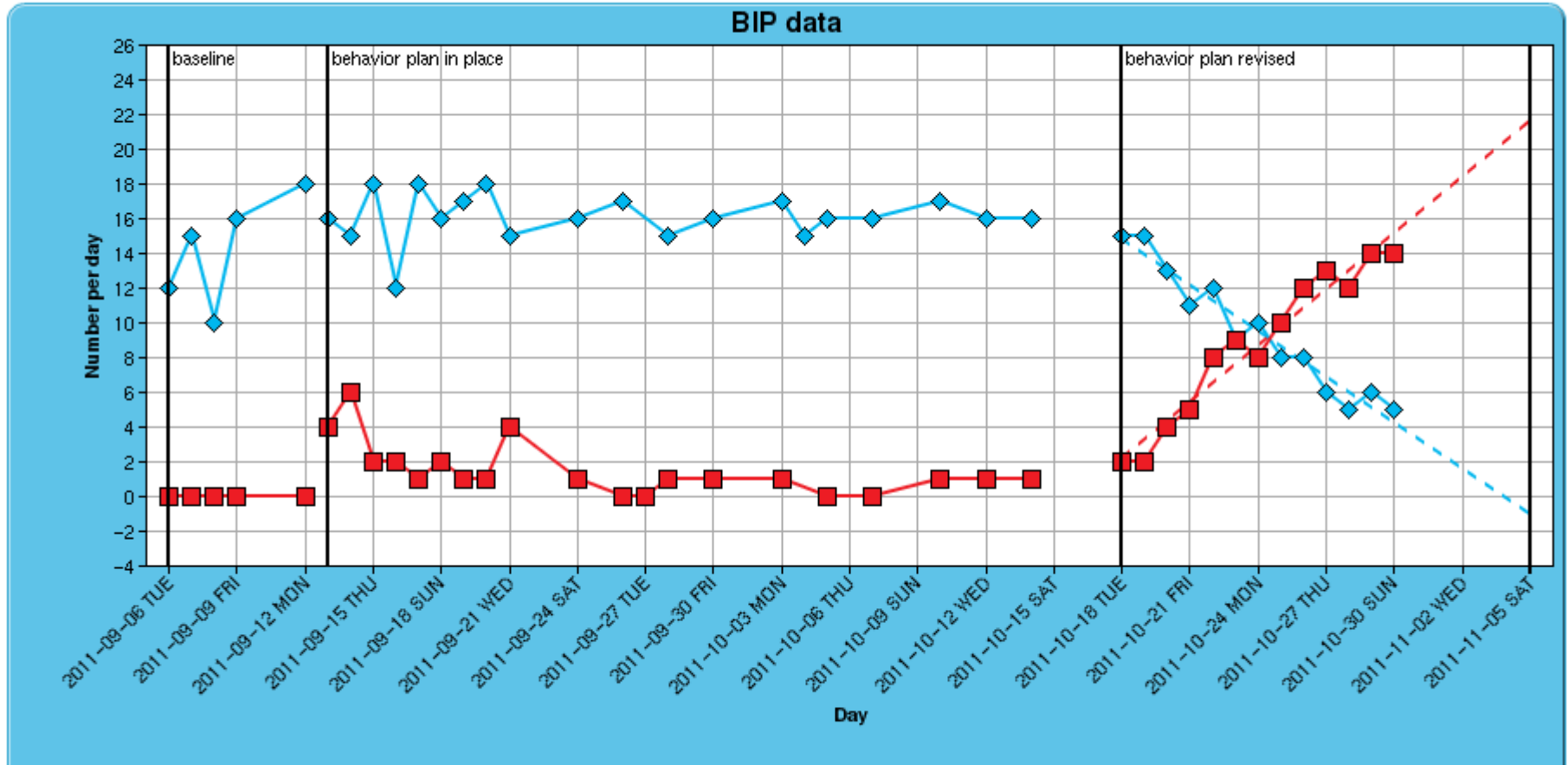
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Data Analysis

Demo of Chart Dog Analyzing data



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★ Hide Goals
✱ Hide Aims
✂ Hide Trends
✂ Chart Options



Integrating Innovative Practices



- Choose one of the resources covered today that you can take back to your team to utilize this quarter.



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Other references and resources listed on *For more information* handout.