

Making Connections to Change Lives



Infant Development Program

- Early and intensive therapy are the essential first steps.
- Our staff will be with you and your family every step of the way.
 - Every child WILL make progress.
 - You've got this! We will help.

Connections Skills & Training

Picture Exchange Communication Systems (PECS)
Data collection & data-based decision making
Early Start Denver Model (ESDM)
Hanen Programs for Parents (Hanen)
Behavior change procedures
Differential reinforcement strategies
Natural environment training
Person-centered planning
Parent training & coaching
Functional behavioral assessments
Bayley screening assessment

Hawaii early learning profile assessment



Prompts for restructuring oral muscular phonetic targets (PROMPT)

What is Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)?

ABA is an evidenced-based, scientific approach to learning and is used to teach new skills, shape existing behaviors, and decrease problematic behavior. Hundreds of studies have shown that ABA is an effective form of autism treatment & it is endorsed by the US Surgeon General.

<u>Our Vision:</u> To be the most effective center for families and children with social-communication delays in Northern California by providing education, evidence based practices, empowerment, and support.

Infant Development Program

Connections ABA infant development program, is a comprehensive, in-home behavioral intervention program tailored to children ages 12-48 months. Children will be eligible for services if they meet the age requirements & have a social communication disorder and/or behavioral symptoms consistent with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Connections ABA will be utilizing the MIND Institute's Early Start Denver Model (ESDM). The ESDM is grounded in current empirical knowledge of infant–toddler learning & aims to reduce the severity of autism symptoms. To assist with accelerating learning, the ESDM incorporates teaching strategies from applied behavior analysis (ABA), pivotal response training (PRT), and teaching practices developed in the original Denver Model. The goal is to create a minimum of 1 learning opportunity every 10 seconds!



"Heidi Hartigan and her team have been instrumental in the success our son has seen in the year since his diagnosis of ASD. Heidi not only is an outstanding SLP, but she was also the first person to help us help ourselves by providing the tools that we could use at home for early intervention. We feel Heidi gave us the hope and the skills needed to give our son the best possible chance of meeting his full potential. We are thrilled to be clients of Small Talk Pediatric Services and Connections ABA!" - Parent Testimonial

Local Resources

Far Northern Regional Center

530-222-4791

http://www.farnorthernrc.org

Rowell Family Empowerment

530-226-5129

http://www.empoweryourfamily.org

When in doubt - Call us at 530-226-8255



About the Company

Heidi Hartigan, MS CCC-SLP, CEO of Connections ABA, is a dreamer. A dreamer who LOVES BABIES! After working with children for 20 years as a Speech-Language Pathologist, Heidi's dream reached new heights. She wanted to connect with more families, change more kiddos' lives, and make more services readily available to North State families. In 2017, Heidi began dreaming & collaborating with a team of professionals & Connections ABA was born!

