Transcript for the Video:

Guiding Young Children's Behavior
Segment 1: Fostering Trusting Relationships
Objective 1: Why trusting, supportive relationships are important

Host: Building trusting relationships is one of the cornerstones of high quality early childhood settings. You probably do this every day in your classroom. Research shows us that all the work you do to build relationships with the children is critical.

Dr. Jeffrey Trawick-Smith (Expert): Of course, the most important attachment is between children and their families. But a nice strong attachment to a childcare provider also can have a powerful impact on children’s social development and their behavior. One study found that children who became attached to a childcare provider for just one year, it was just for a year, at age four, were found to be better adjusted later in life. They were found to have more friends; they were able to interact with peers in a positive way; their teachers rated them as better adjusted to school, well into the elementary years. So a message here for childcare providers is that there’s a lasting benefit for forming a good, positive, strong bond with children in childcare.