



Transcript for the video:

The Importance of Building Positive Relationships with Young Children

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Dr. Jeffrey Trawick-Smith: 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.