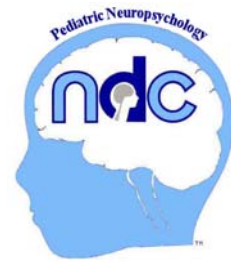


Driven To Distance: A Sensory Journey Through Autism



Dear Families of Children having Autism Spectrum Disorders,

With unyielding passion of heart, mind, and soul you embrace your children empowering their growth and development. You are determined to prevent your children from being “Driven to Distance”, pursuing biological, environmental, and spiritual avenues developing brain connections that have a profound impact upon your children’s ability to love, grow, and interact with others. You nurture their capacity for feelings and attachment, which are very necessary steps toward thought and language. You embrace that the brain learns and environment plays a powerful role in affecting biology and developing children’s potential. You are truly great explorers of new territory, querying the map of billions of chemical “letters” that make up human DNA. You challenge what turns genes on/off and what drives this process. Advances in neuroscience have helped us to better understand the role of biological sensory pathways in Autism Spectrum Disorders, that for multiple underlying reasons, are overexcited (too many switch-ons) and/or overinhibited (too many switch-offs). The brain learns and sensory pathways can be developed. YOUR LOVE, FORTITUDE, AND YOUR CHILDREN’S GROWTH ARE EVIDENCE OF THE POWER OF HUMAN POTENTIAL.

THIS SONG IS FOR YOU.

We chose music/song, very sensory resonating avenues, to share what the children have expressed to us in over 30 years of clinical work with them and watching them grow. This composition reflects many of children’s own words describing their sensory experiences, from which they are “Driven to Distance” and also reflects “Peaceful Rhythms” aiding development. As you listen to this composition, may it resonate within you echoing the children’s expressions of “Distance” and also echo “Peaceful Rhythms” that can guide their health. As you view the spectrogram movie of the composition, may you sense the dysrhythmic overexcitation-overinhibition reflecting sensory storms, Driving Distance, and sense peaceful rhythms, guiding Sensory Harmony and Health.

Throughout your exploration of your children’s growth and development we wish you a continued journey filled with wonder, excitement, and smiles on your children’s faces reflecting loving hearts, peaceful souls, and thoughtful minds. Your children’s growth is evidence of the power of brain growth and the power of human potential. We always look forward to seeing the children and journeying with you.

Warmly,

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