Building Blocks for Successful Prevention and Intervention Strategies

- 1) Watch/observe child/adult behavior and "way of doing" things. Identify strengths and skills that can be applied and used to address the particular needs of the situation.
- 2) Understand behavior as communication.
- 3) Remember to "show" rather than tell.
- 4) Understand the need for structure and a calm environment.
- 5) Understand the need for consistency.
- 6) Create positive behavioral maps showing/labeling what is being done "right."
- 7) Understand ramifications of concrete processing.
- 8) Beware of "ceilings" of expectation and "never statements.
- 9) Assist in generalization.