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BRIEF BIO:

Aaron Oates is a **SNAP® Trainer-Consultant** for the SNAP Implementation team at Child Development Institute (CDI), a multi-service, accredited children's mental health organization in Toronto, Canada. The SNAP Implementation team is CDI's national and international division that specializes in research, training and dissemination activities pertaining to young children under the age of 12 in conflict with the law or experiencing high levels of behavioural difficulties. In this position, Aaron works closely with SNAP Project Leader, Monique Verpoort, and Nicola Slater, Manager of SNAP Business Development and Affiliate Relations, to support affiliate sites with the implementation of CDI's comprehensive model for high-risk children and their families through the Stop Now And Plan (SNAP) model. He also participates in training, research and dissemination of information pertaining to this target group.

Prior to joining the SNAP Implementation team in January of 2016, Aaron has had extensive experience implementing SNAP® with families involved in services through Banyan Community Services in the Greater City of Hamilton. Aaron has facilitated numerous children's and parents' groups within the agency and greater Hamilton community. In addition, Aaron has had experience working with youth in the Youth Justice system. All of the above have provided him with the necessary knowledge and skills required to be an effective SNAP® trainer-consultant.

Aaron is passionate about the mental health field and how it impacts children and their families. Aaron is motivated to embolden others on their journey to accomplish their objectives. Aaron is eager to share his experience and knowledge with staff at our SNAP Affiliate sites!

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