

Social Validity of using Comic Strip Conversations and Social Stories to target core deficits in children with Autism Spectrum Disorder

Social Stories and Comic Strip Conversations (CSC) are story-based interventions for remediating the core deficits of autism spectrum disorders (ASD). Unfortunately, in the research base, Social Stories and CSCs are often paired with other types of intervention making it difficult to determine their effects when used with other interventions versus when used in isolation. This poster will present a subset of data from a larger study and will examine the Social Validity of Social Stories and CSCs when used in combination versus the use of CSCs alone. Six children with ASD received interventions in their home environment as part of an ABA design. Socially valid data were collected during baseline, intervention, and withdrawal periods in the form of daily ratings of targeted behavior. Parental daily diary ratings were plotted across ABA phases and analyzed using visual analysis. Preliminary results suggest that the Social Stories used in combination with CSCs is associated with more positive outcomes compared to the use of CSCs alone.