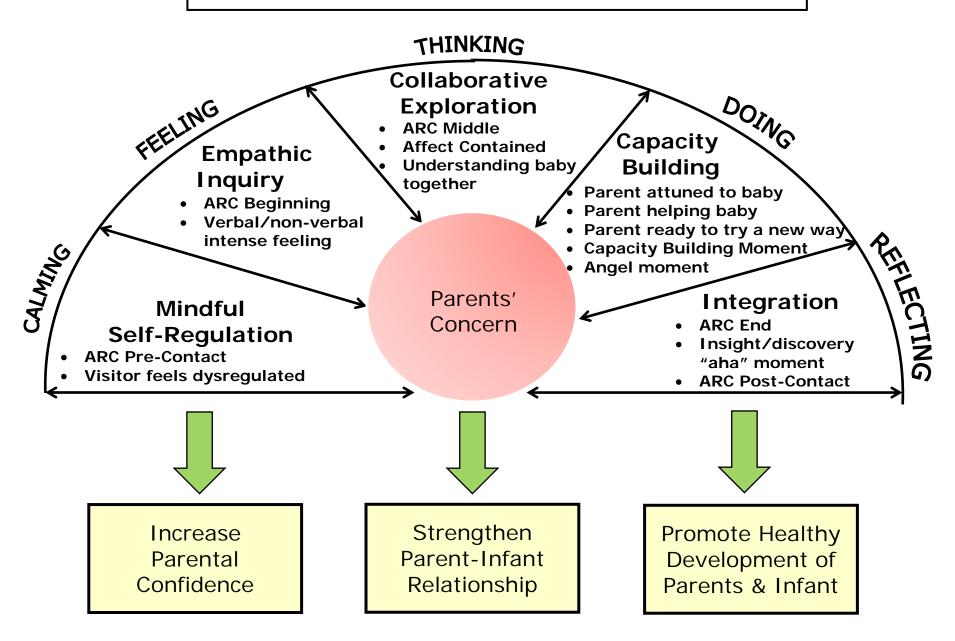
# Fussy Baby Network® FAN

**Facilitating Attuned Interactions** 



# **FAN Pocket Guide**

#### ARC OF ENGAGEMENT:

Pre: How am I? What do I need to do to be fully present?

Begin: What's it been like *for you* to take care of your baby these past few\_\_\_\_\_?

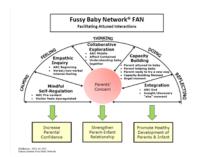
Middle: Have we gotten to what you most wanted to talk about?

End: If you were to describe baby in *three words* today, what would they be?

What would you like to <u>remember</u> from our time together?

<u>Post:</u> How am I now? What do I need to repair or replenish?

### MOVE on the FAN where the Caregiver needs you to go-Matching/Attunement Process



**Observing** – What does the Caregiver need now? **Offering** – Which process will match what the

Caregiver is showing me?

**Checking** – Is this working?

**Re-attune** – Moving on the FAN based on

Caregiver's response or my response (MSR)

# MINDFUL SELF-REGULATION: Be Fully Present

• <u>Awareness</u> of self (regulation/dysregulation); <u>Balance</u>: Strategies to bring awareness to the present; <u>Connection</u>: Reading the cues and decide where to move on FAN

# EMPATHIC INQUIRY: "What has it been like for you?"

- Listen with acceptance
- Amplify positive feelings
- o Accept, validate, explore, and/or contain negative feelings
- o Validate and explore both sides of ambivalence

#### **COLLABORATIVE EXPLORATION:** "Let's think about this together"

- SEE THE BABY THE CAREGIVER SEES: Tell me more ...
- What do you think might be causing the concern?
- What have you tried? What helps, even a little? What does not help? Why might that be?
- How do you know things are going well? When things are getting harder?
- What are the views of other people who are important to you?
- How ready do you feel to start?
- What first steps might you take?
- What would it feel like (be like) for you to try these new ways?

## **CAPACITY BUILDING: "Support during action"**

- MAGIC QUESTION: What's your hunch?
- WATCH FOR and HIGHLIGHT what caregivers are already doing to help
- OFFER A DROP OF INFORMATION AND EXPLORE: Say it in one breath
- FUSSY BABY/CAPACITY BUILDING MOMENTS:
  - Acknowledge: "This is the cry you were telling me about".
  - Affirm: "Please feel free to do whatever you need to do?"
  - Support: "I'm here with you."
- ANGEL MOMENTS: Protect/reflect affect when emotional connection is made

#### **INTEGRATION: Building a Coherent Narrative**

- Watch for and validate caregiver's discoveries/Ah-ha moments
- What would you like to hold on to/remember from our visit? Three words.