Caregiver Perceptions of Tele-Support

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Learner Objectives

At the end of this session, participants will be able to:

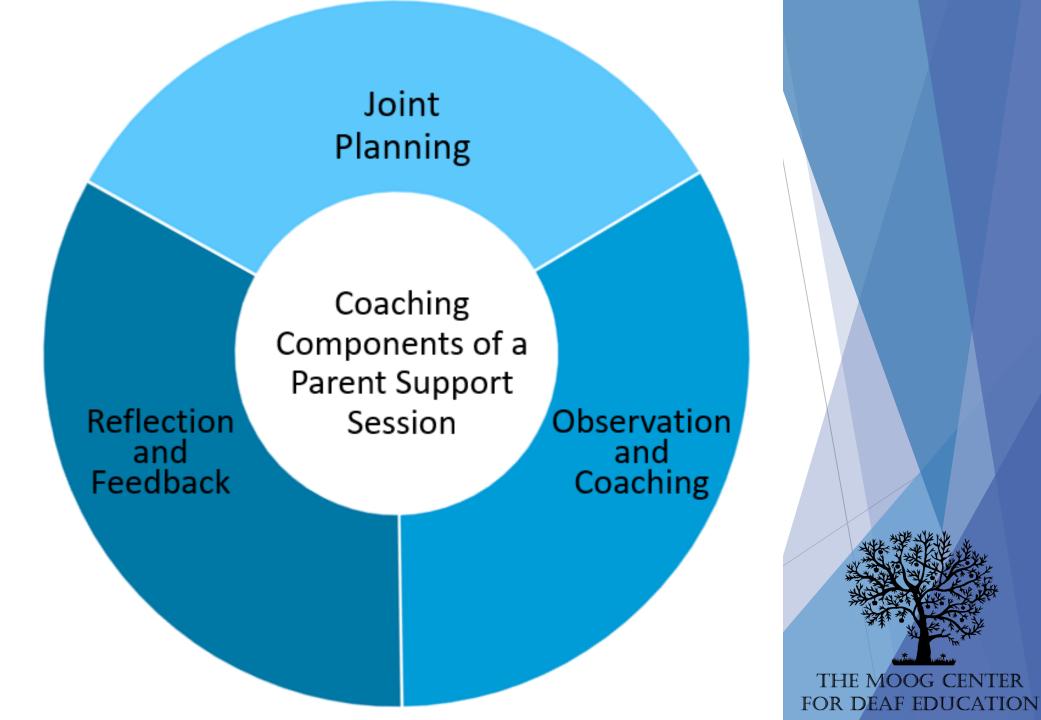
- describe caregiver perceptions when engaging in Tele-Support
- ▶ list at least three components of Tele-Support sessions that are important to caregivers
- describe at least two strategies
 for successfully engaging caregivers in Tele-Support sessions



Introduction

- ► Tele-Support services from the Moog Center
- ► Tele-Support services during COVID





The Study

▶ Perceptions of Tele-Support as compared to in-person support



Participants

- ► 18 caregivers
 - ▶ 14 mothers
 - ▶ 3 fathers
 - ▶ 1 grandmother
- ► At least 5 months of in-person support
- ▶ 5 months of Tele-Support
- Services from the same provider



Methods

- ► Interview study
- ► Thematic analysis



Results: Benefits

- ► In-Person Support
 - **▶** Demonstration
 - ► Managing behavior
 - ► Structure
 - ► Sense of confidence and support
- ► Tele-Support
 - ► Natural environment
 - ► Flexibility of scheduling/Convenience
 - Accountability

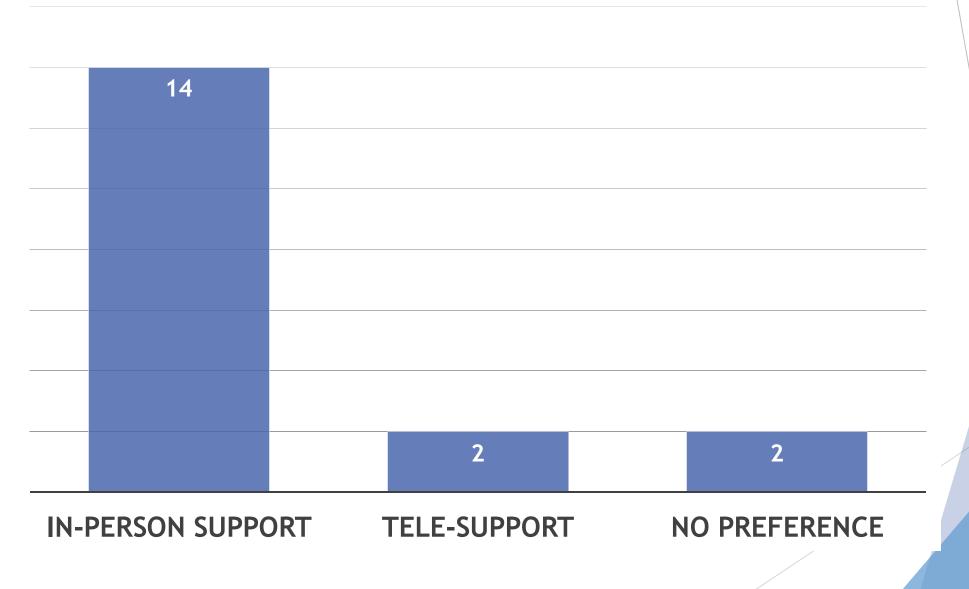


Results: Challenges

- ► In-Person Support
 - ► Thinking of the activities
 - ► Scheduling
 - ► Having the provider present
- ► Tele-Support
 - ► Thinking of the activities
 - ► Managing behavior
 - ► The environment/Being at home



Preferred Method of Support





What we learned...

- ► Caregivers appreciate written feedback
- ► Caregivers utilize provider suggestions outside of the session
- ► Caregivers often benefit from specific examples of their child's performance during the session



Limitations

- ▶ Generalizability
- ▶ Potential for omission



Implications and Future Directions

- ► Caregivers perceive Tele-Support to be beneficial
- More work should be done to determine the broader applications



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