

CONNECT is happy to announce the publication of

***Collaborative Engagement; helping child welfare
service providers support families struggling with domestic violence,
mental illness, substance abuse and poverty.***

This important volume offers new insights into the interlocking issues of poverty, mental illness, substance abuse and domestic violence and how they impact on the welfare of children. Advancing new ways to support families struggling to keep themselves and their children safe, this book is essential for staff working with families in need. Building on a strength based framework the Guide will offer staff new ways to engage with families, understand the complexity of their needs and find practical solutions.

The Guide was written by Alisa Del Tufo, co-founder of CONNECT with a grant from Community Partnerships in Child Welfare. Alisa has almost 30 years of experience addressing the needs of families experiencing violence at home. Her work includes developing programs that address the overlap of child abuse and adult domestic violence. This Guide is the first manual to address the overlap of issues affecting so many families that are part of the child welfare system. It represents an important step forward in our efforts to address the needs of families with more compassion and practical support.

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