20 TOP TIPS FOR BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT

- 1. Focus on meeting children's human needs (all 5 Cups®).
- 2. Build relationships, connection, and trust.
- 3. Keep promises and follow through.
- 4. Provide a predictable routine.
- 5. Offer lots of choice and appropriate control.
- 6. Acknowledge and validate children's emotions.
- 7. Teach self-regulation through co-regulation.
- 8. Embed a range of sensory experiences into routines.
- 9. Look at situations through the child's eyes.
- 10. Find the underlying purpose the behaviour serves them.
- 11. Tell and teach the child what to do instead.
- 12. Acknowledge when children do 'the right thing'.
- 13. Reinforce any attempt at using the desired behaviour.
- 14. Ensure everyone has a way to communicate their needs.
- 15. Incorporate strengths, interests, and comfort items.
- 16. Plan and prepare for tricky situations.
- 17. Use visual aids to support understanding.
- 18. Set children up for success!
- 19. Pick your battles.
- 20. Always be kind!

