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## **Triple P Positive Parenting Program: Level 4, Individual**

## Program description:

Triple P – Positive Parenting Program (Level 4, individual) is an intensive individual-based parenting program for families of children with challenging behavior problems. In this self-directed modality, parents receive a full Level 4 curriculum with a workbook and exercises to complete at their own pace. They are also offered support from a therapist by telephone on a regular basis.

Typical age of primary program participant: 5

Typical age of secondary program participant: N/A

**Meta-Analysis of Program Effects** 

Outcomes Measured	Primary or Second	No. of Effect Sizes	Unadjusted Effect Sizes Adjusted Effect Sizes and Sta (Random Effects Model) Used in the Benefit-Cost								rs
	-ary Partici- pant				p-	,	st time ES estimated			cond time E estimated	
			ES	SE	value	ES	SE	Age	ES	SE	Age
Disruptive behavior disorder symptoms	Р	5	-0.85	0.21	0.00	-0.39	0.21	5	-0.17	0.09	10

**Benefit-Cost Summary** 

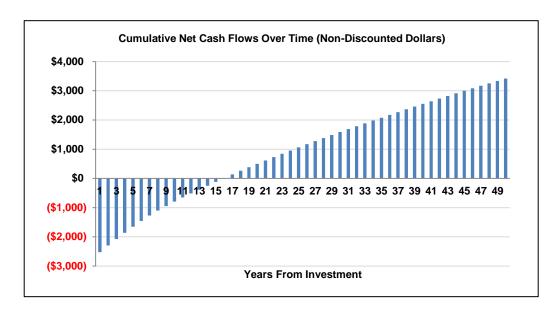
The estimates shown are present		Pro	ogram Bei	nefits		Costs		Summa	ry Statistic	s
value, life cycle benefits and costs.										Probability
All dollars are expressed in the base year chosen for this analysis								Return		of a positive
(2011). The economic discount							Benefit	on	Benefits	net
rates and other relevant parameters	Partici-	Tax-		Other	Total		to Cost	Invest-	Minus	present
are described in Technical	pants	payers	Other	Indirect	Benefits		Ratio	ment	Costs	value
Appendix 2.	\$720	\$1,195	\$1,103	\$603	\$3,621	-\$1,833	\$1.98	5%	\$1,788	92%

**Detailed Monetary Benefit Estimates** 

## **Detailed Cost Estimates**

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The figures shown are estimates of the costs to implement programs in	Program Costs		Comparison Costs			Summary Statistics		
Washington. The comparison group costs reflect either no treatment or treatment as usual, depending on how effect sizes were	Annual Cost	Program Duration	Year Dollars	Annual Cost	Program Duration	Year Dollars	Present Value of Net Program Costs (in 2011 dollars)	Uncertainty (+ or – %)
calculated in the meta-analysis. The uncertainty range is used in Monte Carlo risk analysis, described in Technical Appendix 2.	\$1,792	1	2010	\$0	1	2010	\$1,832	10%

Source: Expenditures per family provided by Washington State DSHS Children's Administration, June 2011; based on 10-16 sessions of individual family behavioral training.



Multiplicative Adjustments Applied to the Meta-Analysis

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Type of Adjustment	Multiplier				
1- Less well-implemented comparison group or observational study, with some covariates.	1.00				
2- Well-implemented comparison group design, often with many statistical controls.	1.00				
3- Well-done observational study with many statistical controls (e.g., IV, regression discontinuity).	1.00				
4- Random assignment, with some RA implementation issues.	1.00				
5- Well-done random assignment study.	1.00				
Program developer = researcher	0.64				
Unusual (not "real world") setting	1.00				
Weak measurement used	0.5				

Adjustment factors were generated by examining studies for the treatment of children or adolescents with disruptive behavior problems. Metaregressions were conducted to test for the impact of different methodological factors on unadjusted effect size. Because research design rating and
unusual setting were not significant predictors of effect size, multipliers of 1.0 were assigned. The involvement of a program developer in the research
study was a statistically significant predictor of effect size, indicating that such studies had larger effects than studies in which the developer was not
involved. This coefficient was used to determine the 0.64 multiplier. Finally, we coded as weak measures outcomes that were based solely on the
report of individuals who were involved in the intervention (such as parents in a parenting program). Due to concern that such measures might be
biased in favor of the programs reviewed, we used the standard Institute multiplier (0.5).

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