# AUTISM and THERAPIES

Tuesday 13 July 19:00 - 21:00

with Stiof MacAmhalghaidh

AUsome Training





#### the course schedule

Me talking about me

What is therapy, about 'autism' + Q&A

**Breaktime!** 

Therapies and scams

About 'behaviour' and trauma

Final Q&A





## about AUsome Training

Autistic-led

Pro-Autistic and Pro-Neurodiversity

Dedicated to changing lives

Challenging assumptions

Challenging the negative deficits narrative





#### a bit about me...





**Autistic Union** 



Autscape



Fundacja Prodeste



**Infinite Diversity** 



**Ausome Training** 

## what is a therapy?

A standard definition...

"the attempted remediation of a health problem"

A scale of focus...

care – therapy - intervention

often multi-session, multiple elements

has a clear goal founded in restoring health





# the goal of therapy

Health and wellbeing

Selected method(s) based on need

Clear measures of success





### an ideal therapy

informed consent oversight and accountability recipient-defined goals process and measures of success ongoing documentation and review recipient controls decisions





#### what is 'autism'

Why the quote marks?

Autistic human, autism diagnosis

Humans doing their best with the tools they have available in the moment





# is there 'autism therapy'?

No. Seriously. Not kidding.

There is therapy that Autistics may need

Because Autistics are human

That's it.





# Autistics using therapy

What we'll discuss after the break

OT, SLT, PT, CBT

Behaviourism, ABA and trauma





# your Questions so far...





### Breaktime!



# Autistics using therapy

When an Autistic may need therapy

OT, SLT, PT

CBT and talk therapy

Immersion and trans-cranial stimulation





# Autistics using therapy

Behaviourism

Radical behaviourism and ABA

ABA and trauma





## therapy scams

Diets and supplements

Essential oils and baths

HBOT, chelation, stem cells and GcMAF

CD aka 'Miracle Mineral Solution'





#### back to basics

What does the person need?

What is the therapy for?

Consent, disclosure, oversight

Red flags to watch for





# your Questions





# Thanks for listening!

# autism and therapies

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