A US skills-based package to address the needs and concerns of drug-using parents.

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Partners in Parenting focuses on the identified concerns of recovering parents and encourages learning and skill-building in key areas such as parent-child communication, developmental expectancies, guidance and discipline, problem solving, and self-care. The manual contains materials for an 8-session structured workshop that allows participants to practice parenting strategies and discuss their experiences with others. The comprehensive outlines for each session provide lecture notes, discussion questions, exercises and activities, and handouts. The appendix section contains useful reprints of parenting articles and child development information, plus a list of Web sites likely to be of interest to parents and counselors. The manual is being piloted and evaluated at a residential substance abuse program for women and their children.

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