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## **Curriculum Vitae**

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### **Professional Experience**

- 2011 – current     Managing Director and co-founder of the Israeli DIR Organization, promoting and teaching the model to parents and professionals.
- 2013 – current     Board Member, the Israeli Association of Child Development and Rehabilitation.
- 2012 – current     Lecturer and workshop facilitator for the Psychotherapy Certificate program, Telem/Kibbutzim College, Israel.
- 2011 – current     Guest Lecturer, Early Intervention, School of Occupational Therapy, Hadassah Hospital/Hebrew University, Israel.
- 2011 – current     Content advisor and guest lecturer for the Seminar on Autism, School of Occupational Therapy, Hadassah Hospital/Hebrew University, Israel.
- 2003 – 2011         Coordinator and supervisor of the DIR model in Israel, member of the Israeli steering committee, organized in Israel by Dr. Serena Weider.
- 2010 – 2014         Supervisor for therapists in the York University study checking behavioral and neurophysiological outcomes of Intensive DIR Intervention for children with Autism.
- 2009 – current     Owner of an independent private clinic focusing on children with special needs, ASD and regulatory disorders, working with children and families, and guiding their therapeutic program.
- 2007 – 2009         Guest Lecturer, Advanced Specialization Program on Autism, Levinsky College of Education.
- 2003 – 2004         Floortime therapist in the Jerusalem center of development for children and their families.
- 2002 – 2007         Therapist and instructor of the DIR model in the Baker Institute at Bar-Ilan University:
- Building treatment programs and supervising therapists.
  - 2004 – 2005     Leading a parent study and support group in order to enhance parent-child interaction using the DIR model.
  - 2005 – 2007     Taking part in a team in research using DIR, MISC & SI with children with ASD and their parents.
- 2007 – 2016         Instructor and coordinator of the DIR treatment program in ‘Sulam’ kindergartens in Beit-Shemesh.

2005 – 2009	DIR Supervisor at Mesilot School for Autistic Children.
2001 – 2006	Instructor and tutor in various kindergartens for children with special needs – both guiding staff and treating children.
1999 – 2009	Sharing a private clinic with a few colleagues, as a multi-disciplinary team, working with different developmental disorders.
2001 – 2003	Occupational therapist in a kindergarten for children with autistic spectrum disorders (ages 3–4).
2001 – 2003	Teaching in the Jerusalem seminar for teachers, on sensory-motor development, DIR and children with special needs.
1993 – 2004	Occupational Therapist in the Jerusalem Center of Development for Children and their Families. Worked as a part of a multi-disciplinary team (started as a student in the university). Specialized in working with children with ASD, PDD, ADD, sensory integration, behavioral and emotional problem. Worked within a program based on individual or dual track – occupational therapy, speech therapy, Floortime intervention, dance/music therapy, offering supervision of parents and kindergarten staff, biological intervention, team meetings and parents' groups.
1996 – 1997	Occupational therapist in Dekalim School for autistic children, worked with pre-school and first classes.
1994 – 1996	Occupational therapist and coordinator of the adolescent group in Tsaad Kadima, The Peto method for children with CP in Israel.

## **Education**

2015 – current	Student at the PSP (Professional School of Psychology) Doctoral program.
2004 – 2008	Masters degree, Child Development, the Bar-Ilan University School of Education, Israel. The program focused on children with special needs, mental and social development and mediation strategies (incomplete).
2001– 2004	Advanced Integrative Psychotherapy Certificate Program in the Child Adolescent and Family Track, Hebrew University, Israel.
1998 – 2004	ICDL – DIR Certificate Program, Washington.
1991 – 1994	Bachelors Degree, Occupational Therapy, Technion Medical School and Haifa University, Israel.

## **Affiliation:**

- Israeli DIR Organization, Board.
- Israeli Association of Child Development and Rehabilitation, Board.
- Israeli Association of Occupational Therapy.