



every child needs at  
least one adult who is  
irrationally crazy about  
him or her.  
-urie bronfenbrenner

Stephanie is trained as a Developmental Psychologist and is licensed as a Professional Counselor. She has separate masters degrees in Marriage and Family Therapy and Psychology and a PhD in Lifespan Developmental Psychology. She is also endorsed as an Infant Mental Health Specialist. Her clinical and research interests focus on working with infants and children with attachment concerns and trauma histories, specifically those who have adoption or foster care backgrounds. She has worked as a clinician, professor, and researcher and has provided professional development and support services for community organizations and schools around the world.

Stephanie brings an extensive and varied background with her. Not only has the topic of trauma and neurodevelopment been a significant part of her career, as a foster and adoptive parent, she also understands how the research translates into day to day experiences for the adults that work with children with these histories.

Stephanie has a passion for her work. It's not just what she does, it's a part of who she is. Whether it's working with kids and their families, teaching college students, providing trainings to adults, or advocating for changes to systems, she looks forward to the task and has no intention of stopping.

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