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## Issues and Solutions for Children and Young Adults with Difficult Behaviour

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*An essential new resource for anyone working with families with a child or young adult with difficult behaviour.*

***“The Association for Children with a Disability has provided us with the hard facts about the children we are failing. What is clear from the report is that there are solutions.”***

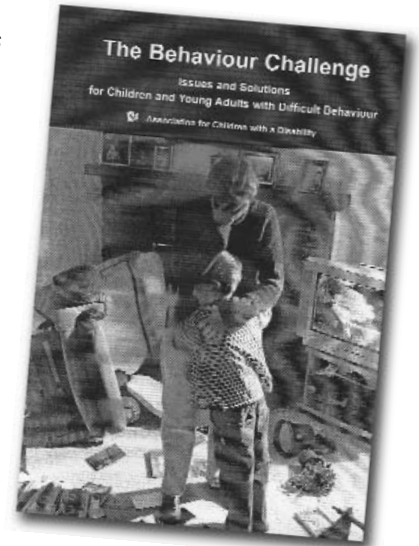
Dr Catherine Marraffa, Paediatrician, Deputy Director Department of Child Development and Rehabilitation, Royal Children’s Hospital and Chairman, Victorian State Committee, Paediatric and Child Health Division, Royal Australasian College of Physicians

***“The Behaviour Challenge is a mine of valuable information. Ideally, all professionals working with children and young adults should be aware of the programs and networks for the range of disabilities described in this well structured and easily accessible book.”***

Dr Daryl Greaves, Senior Lecturer, Department of Learning and Educational Development, University of Melbourne and Chair of SPELD Professional Subcommittee

***“The Behaviour Challenge is a significant new contribution to the body of literature exploring ways we can better assist children and young people with Asperger’s syndrome and their families.”***

Prof Tony Attwood, Adjunct Professor, Griffith University, Queensland



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An essential resource for anyone working or studying in the fields of:

- allied health
- child and adolescent mental health
- child protection
- community services
- disability
- education
- juvenile justice
- psychology
- public policy
- social work

*The Behaviour Challenge* includes:

- Detailed analysis of the issues facing families with a child or young adult with difficult behaviour
- Real life family stories
- 104 recommendations for action across all policy areas including Education, Human Services and Child and Adolescent Mental Health
- Key population data and prevalence estimates for Victoria
- List of recent initiatives
- Extensive glossary of diagnostic terms, program names and more

***“When I stumbled across The Behaviour Challenge while researching the latest ‘label’ having been assigned to my then 12-year-old son, I could have been reading my own autobiography. I was desperate for something to use as a reference, to support my endeavour to keep my son in school and for them to ‘look outside the square’.***  
***I have since suggested it as essential reading for all the professionals involved in my son’s care.”***

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