

**Mental Health Consultant Clip:
Affirming**

Ms. Jefferson: You are right, Joe isn't crazy. This is not just Joe's problem. In fact, really, we need help trying to figure out what we can do to support Joe. I hear you that you are not comfortable at this point with Ms. Gibson coming in to focus on Joe right now. That's okay. I respect that. You are his parent and you know what is best for your family. These are hard conversations to have.

You know, I realize you haven't met Ms. Gibson and this may be the first time you have heard about her role here. Would it just be okay if I told you a little bit about what she does here?

Mary: Go ahead.

Ms. Jefferson: This is a lot of information to take in. She is here at our center one day a week. You may have even met with her without realizing it. She is tall with sort of spiky gray hair. She is often in the classrooms playing with the kids, talking to us, and sometimes even doing some lessons with the kids about feelings and things like sharing.

Mary: I have seen that lady. I thought she was one of those grandparent volunteers.