

Draw your sense of how his/her arousal state shifts within or outside of the window of tolerance

Mobilization - Hyper-arousal Too much arousal to integrate Fight, flight or active freeze

Window of tolerance Social engagement zone I can experience a range of emotions and not feel overwhelmed

> Immobilization – hypo-arousal Too little arousal to integrate Submission/withdrawal/collapse

Does she/he have a	
dominant protective	
response or tend to show	
more than one protective	
response? i.e:	
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Social engagement	
- engaging with	
others to feel safe	
 Mobilization – fight, 	
flight, active freeze	
Immobilization –	
Submission/collapse	
In what situations is her/his	
protective responses most	
likely to be shown?	
In what situations is the	
child most likely to be able	
to maintain social	
engagement with others?	
Are there particular people	
that she/he feels most safe	
with?	



Intervention ideas

Aim: calm down arousal	
Some intervention ideas;	
 Rhythmic, repetitive movements 	
 Grounding techniques 	
 Containing 	
techniques	
 Co-regulation aimed 	
at slowing down the	
child's nervous	
system	
Immobilization	
Aim: Orienting and Aligning	
Some intervention ideas:	
Orienting to space	
Orienting to senses	
 Aligning the body 	
 Co-regulation aimed 	
at socially engaging	
the child	
Social engagement	
Aim: To increase use of this	
protective response Some intervention ideas:	
Breathing techniques	
Co-regulation aimed	
at maintaining social	
engagement across	
contexts	