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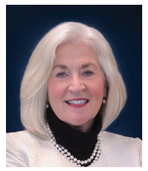

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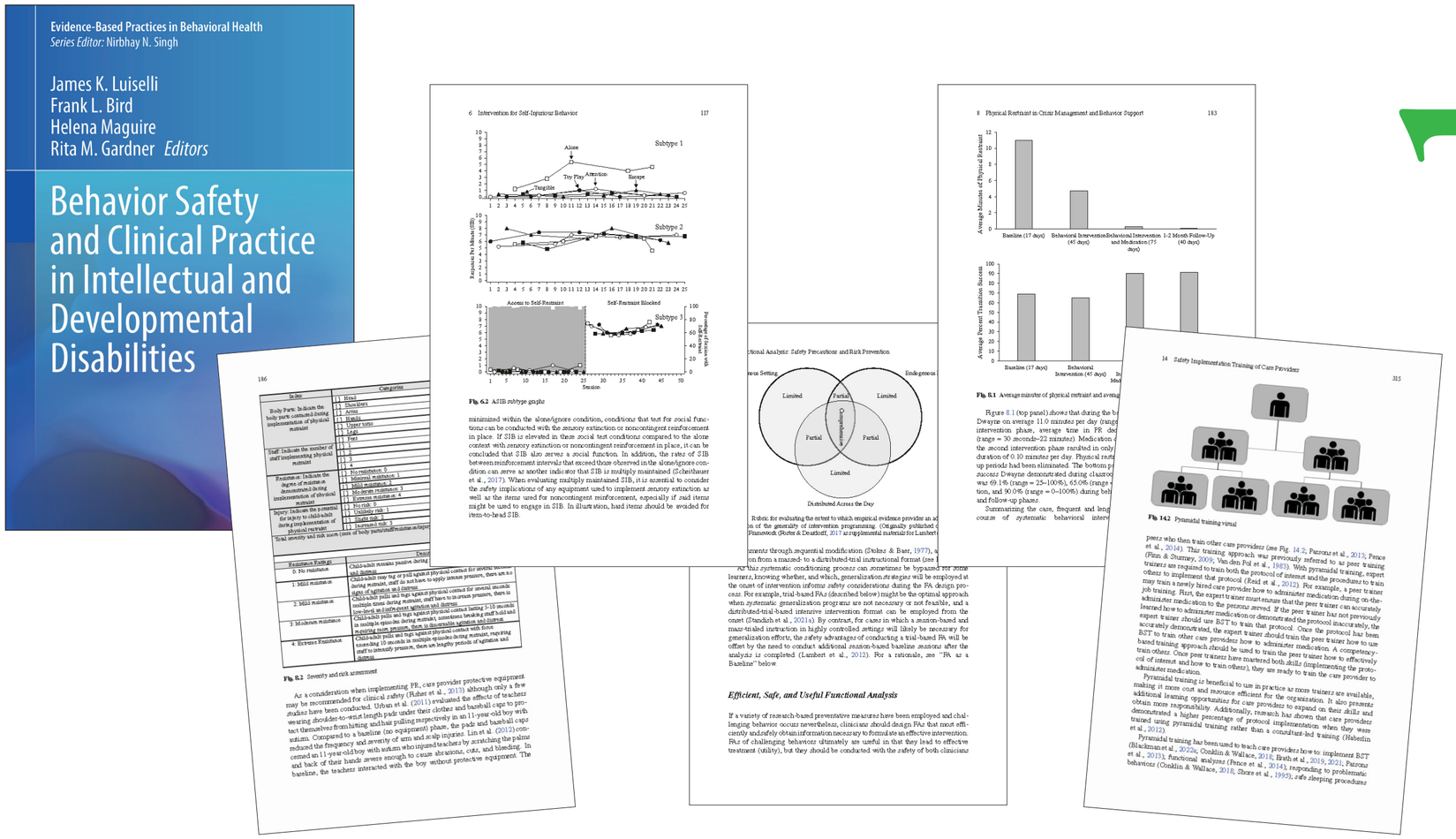

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Safety concerns are a priority among persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) who may be susceptible to accidents and injuries, lack self-preservation skills that avoid hazardous exposure, and demonstrate harmful behavior such as self-abuse, aggression, and property destruction. Care providers also must be aware of personal safety when intervening physically with service recipients in crisis situations and on the basis of treatment plans. Within program settings, safety precautions extend to environmental care, staff training, and mitigation of workplace risk factors.

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