

Individualism

- Willpower explains individual differences
- Positive outcomes are yours if you want
- What doesn't kill you makes you stronger
- Health is the result of good choices

Family Bubble

- Parenting choices determine child outcomes
- Invisible: External factors influencing family, child

Environments

- Children's environments = parents
- Environments matter



What's in the swamp of...

Early Childhood and Poverty

Oppurtunity

- Children are the future



Process

- Black box
- Naturalism: Kids just grow up
- Children are undeveloped
- Children are containers; fill 'em up
- Early learning = morals and manners, or ABCs

Fatalism

- Damage done is damage done
- Cycle of poverty will always be with us

Disparities

- Positive outcomes are the norm
- Negative outcomes are the exception
- Individual choices determine disparities
- Solution = awareness of opportunities
- Solution = more (not better) programs