

THE OGRE AND THE LITTLE THUMB: LOVE AND SURVIVAL IN NEONATOLOGY. PHANTASY AND CONTAINMENT IN NURSERY; AN APPLICATION OF E. BICK'S METHOD FOR INFANT OBSERVATION

Rezumat: *It is very difficult to conceive hatred around babies despite the fact that their arrival in the world has always been surrounded by stories and legends always connected to crime... Hatred is (a) constituent (part) of meeting the object. It is a clinical guide for parents faced with the violence of birth and acceptance of a "stranger in the house"; it is a guide for the new born facing a huge duty that he needs to accomplish when dealing with the brutal experiences he goes through; it is also a guide for personnel in the service system of newborns.*

In this workshop we start from the story of Little Thumb (also Hansel and Gretel) in order to stay in touch with the experiences of past generations.

We will more precisely develop clinical hypotheses starting from two different institutions, in neonatology for premature newborns with Annick Simon and newborns in nursery along with Denis Mellier.

Survival mobilizes in the first case a sort of consolidation of the stakes of violence around the event of birth. The parent / child separation upon registration at the nursery remobilizes the phantasy related to violence which allows the child to socialize.

The newborn observation method inside the family, is a precious help according to Esther Bick, in order to perceive and receive the complexity s and subtleties of these stakes. The two interveniences will equally demonstrate how this method is justified inside the family, especially regarding violence stakes between persons.

Cuvinte cheie: Baby, phantasm, prematurity, separation, institutionalization, transgenerational