Pablo

Behavior Hypotheses:

1. When children are in Pablo’s space (bathroom line, water table, table activities) or trying to share toys/activities (centers, circle, playground), Pablo will hit and/or pinch to obtain the toy or activity. When this happens, most children will leave the play area, back away from him, or give up the toy/activity.

2. When an adult who has been playing with Pablo gets up to leave (usually during sand play or centers), Pablo will hit the adult to get the adult to continue playing. Most of the time when this occurs, the adult will sit back down and return to playing with Pablo.

3. When a child challenges Pablo for a toy or activity (especially in centers and on the playground), Pablo will bite the child. When this occurs, Pablo gains adult attention through verbal scolding and/or by being held for a few minutes until he calms down. When released, he then goes and gets the activity or toy that he originally wanted.

Setting Event: When Pablo is on additional asthma and allergy medication and/or has had little sleep, he is more likely to engage in challenging behavior (hitting, pinching, biting).