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TEENAGERS OF WORKING PARENTS SOMETIMES FEEL THEIR PARENTS HAVE ABANDONED THEM, SAYS DR. HAROLD ORCHOW, A PSYCHIATRIST WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA SCHOOL OF MEDICINE:

10.4 I think that in my practice, and in my experience, that's probably the most common single feeling that people have.

PARENTS NEED TO GET BEYOND THE STRESSES OF THEIR WORK, AND BE EMOTIONALLY INVOLVED WITH THEIR TEENAGERS. GOOD SUPERVISION AFTER SCHOOL CAN HELP, TOO:

26.01 I think that a good parent who, for example, has to work, and makes reasonable provisions for his child, both small and adolescent, during working hours is providing not only concrete care but messages such as "I really care about you" and "I'm going to make sure that you're taken care of, even if I can't be there physically to do it."

PROFESSIONAL GUIDANCE MAY ALSO BE HELPFUL. THIS IS HEALTHLINE, FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA SCHOOL OF MEDICINE.