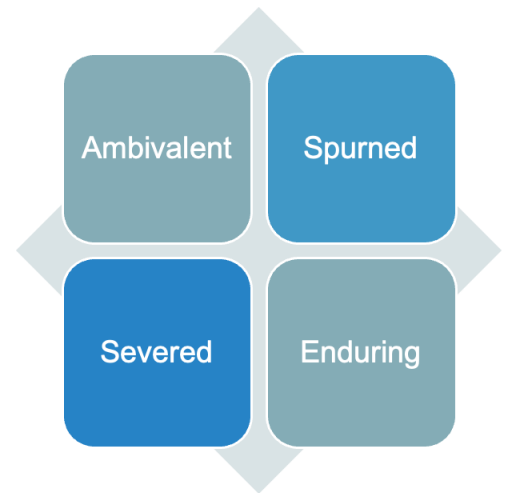


Ambivalent

- In-tact relationship with caregiver, but mixed feelings about relationship
- Don't feel 100% like a member of the family
- Sometimes caregiver is there for child/youth, other times they are not
- Youth not sure they can count on caregiver



Spurned

- Affectional tie to caregiver that conveys permanence, but commitment goes only until age of majority or a specific event (such as high school graduation)
- End of living arrangement results in feelings of unwantedness
- No level of engagement from caregiver to build relationship

Severed

- Youth describe relationship in a mixed affective tone
- Relationship cut off by caregivers; belief that caretaker uses legal permanence to promote self-interests
- Caregivers do not support young person's goals

Enduring

- Views caregiver as primary parental figure
- Feel a sense of peace, consistency and belonging
- Perceived caretakers are committed for the long-term
- Uses a consistent, positive affective tone when talking about caregiver
- Caregivers use authoritative parenting style

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