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# Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and related Disabilities (LEND) Program

#### FAMILY QUALITY OF LIFE, FAMILY ADVOCACY AND LIFE COURSE THEORY

### **LEND Family Specialist Presentations**

# Part One: Introductory Overview of Family Quality of Life, Family Advocacy and Life Course Theory

Disseminate PPT and a handout based on Beach Center Family Quality of Life Paradigm.

# Part Two: The Impact of Disability on our Family's Quality of Life and Family Advocacy

Each parent Family Specialist trainee will have 10-12 minutes to share her views and experiences and three additional minutes for questions and comments. Presentations should incorporate some or all of Family Quality of Life Domains listed below from perspectives of both the collective family unit and as an individual family member. Additionally, the presentations should conclude with a few "takeaway points" for professionals on what you would like them to know when interacting with families and individuals with disabilities.

- Daily Family Life
- Family Interactions
- Advocacy
- Health
- Productivity
- Social and Emotional Well-Being
- Home Environment

### **Part Three: Key Concepts and Application to Practices**

Group discussion: What is something that you learned today that will impact on how you interact, partner with and best support families and individuals with disabilities; or something that you might do differently in your practices?