

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER FOR YOUR FAMILY EXPERIENCE

1. Through your interactions with the family, what have you learned about this child that perhaps you would not have learned in a clinical setting?
2. What variety of roles do parents and other family members fill?
3. Who provides social support for this family?
4. What have you noticed about how this child's disability impacts:
 individual family members,
 the interactions between family members, and
 the family as a whole?
5. Is this family supported in addressing the child's needs in their home and preschool/school setting? How?
6. What are the positive and/or challenging factors that appear to affect typical family functioning?
 - a. What are some observations concerning how the family has capitalized or could capitalize on the positive factors and on their strengths?
 - b. What are some observations concerning how these challenging factors have been or could be overcome?
7. Over time, how will family dynamics change for this family?
8. How do disability-related professionals appear to affect the lives of members of this family? (Positively or negatively)
9. How have your perceptions changed through this experience?
10. How will this affect your professional practice?
11. Based on this experience, what advice would you give to other professionals working with children with disabilities and their families?