Focusing on Supports to Families: Specific Strategies for Including Family Support in UCEDD CORE Grants

AUCD
Family Support Special Interest Group (SIG)

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Hello!

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Agenda

• Welcome and Overview of Family Support SIG *(dana and mark)*

• Setting the Stage: Family, Family Support and Family Engagement *(sheli)*

• Considerations in the Core Grant *(All)*

• Partnering with Family Organizations *(All)*

• Closing *(dana and mark)*
The purpose of the AUCD Family Support SIG is to engage the AUCD network, including UCEDD, LEND and IDDRC members, in:

- playing key roles in moving family support and leadership forward at the national and state level
- advancing leadership in supporting families as part of the core work and values within the AUCD network

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AUCD Family Support Special Interest Group (2008 to date)

- **AUCD Family Support Special Interest Group**: Formed in 2008 to bring UCEDD members together to promote forward movement in all areas of family support.

- **Family Support Summit @ Wingspread**: Leaders from across the U.S. met in 2011 to develop a national agenda for family support.

- **National Family Support Community of Practice**: An ongoing initiative resulting from Wingspread report.

- **National Goals on Family Support**: A 2015 conference to develop goals for supporting today’s complex family structures.

- **Family Support Projects of National Significance**: Since 1999, UCEDDs have operated AIDD funded PNS’ on Family Support.

- **Commitment to advocate for Title II of the DD Act and other family support and family caregiving federal legislation**

- **RRTC on Family Support**: AUCD partners in 2014 funding from NIDILRR to generate knowledge about the needs of families across the lifespan.

- **LIND Family Discipline Network**: Collaboration with the LEND SIG on issues important to families.

- **National Sibling Leadership Network**: Recognition of the importance of support provided by siblings.
Using Jamboard

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Setting the Stage

Focusing on Family, Family Support and Family Engagement
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Including All Families

- Family Structure (household structure, divorce, intergenerational, membership)
- Family Member types (parents, spouse, children, siblings, extended families, grand parents, Parenting with a Disability)
- Culture, Diversity, Beliefs, Language
- Geographic location (rural, urban, suburban)
- Socio-economic Status
- Different life stages and/or generations
- Receiving Services, not receiving services
Discussion Topics | Families and the CORE Grant

• Role in development of Core Grant
• Informing the Priorities and Outcomes of the Core Grant
• Key roles for “Family” as staff, advisors, trainers, etc.
• Family Support as a Priority Area
• Core Function: Research and Evaluation
• Core Function: Information Dissemination
• Core Function: Community Based Services and Supports
• Core Function: University Based Education and Training
Closing

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