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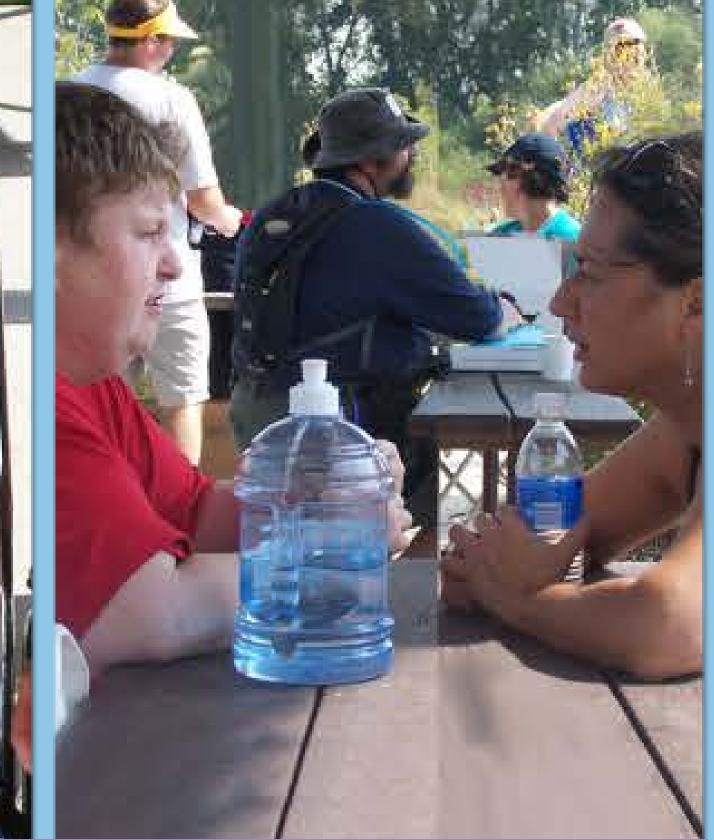- Angela Martin, Developmental Disabilities Institute, Wayne State University, Michigan
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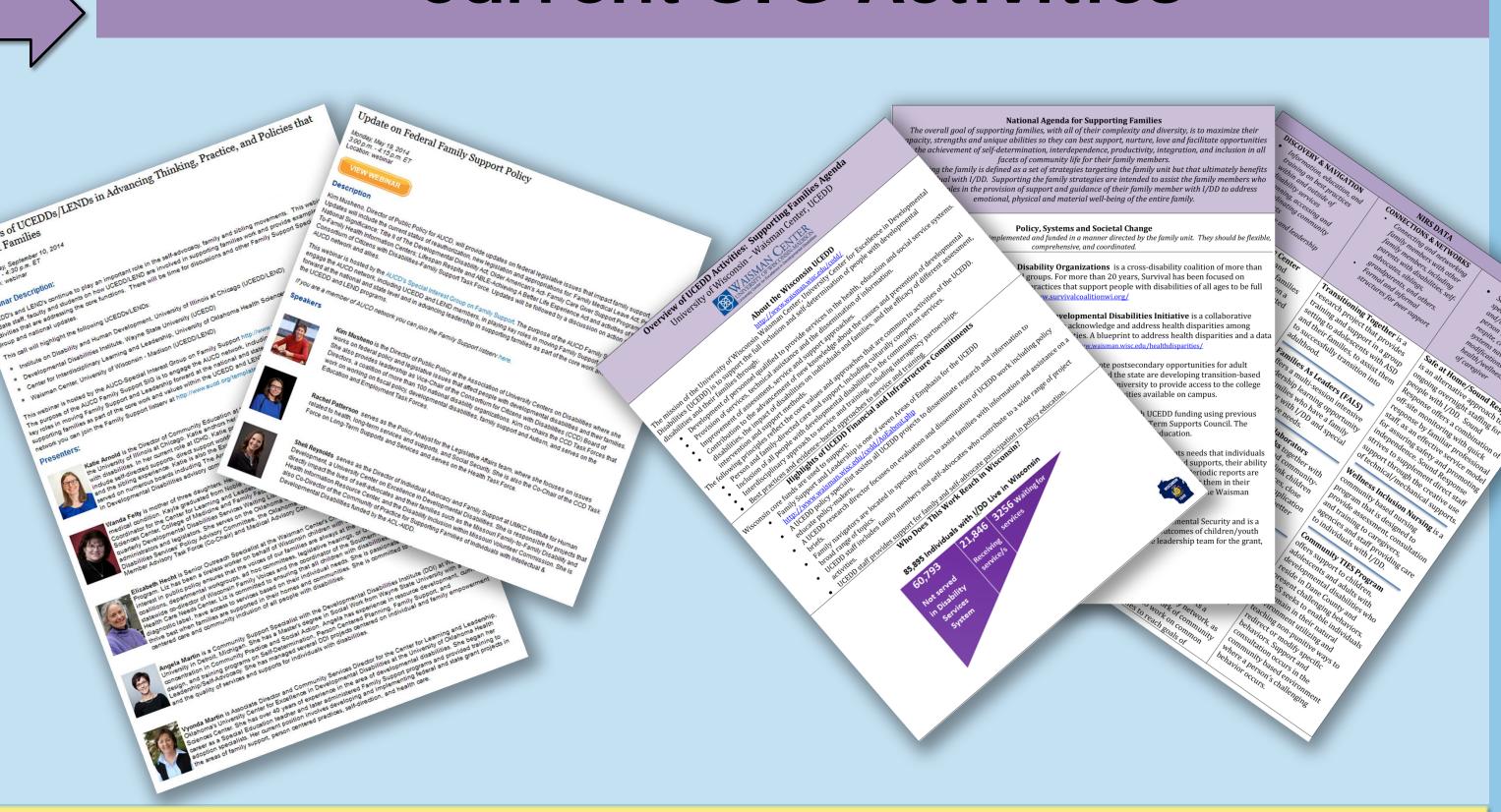www.waisman.wisc.edu/cedd/pdfs/products/family/Wingspread.pdf

AUCD Family Support-Special Interest Group (SIG)

The purpose of the AUCD Family Support SIG is to engage the AUCD network, including UCEDD and LEND members, in playing key roles in moving Family Support and Leadership forward at the national and state level and in advancing leadership in supporting families as part of the core work and values within the UCEDD and LEND programs.

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Current SIG Activities

Impact of SIG

KEY DEFINITION

Goal of Supporting Families

The overall purpose of supporting families, with all their complexity and diversity, is to maximize their capacity, strengths, and unique abilities so they can best support, nurture, love and facilitate the achievement of self-determination, interdependence, productivity, integration and inclusion in all facets of community life for their family members.

Family Support is defined as a comprehensive and coordinated set of strategies designed to ensure that families who are assisting family members with ID/DD have access to person-centered and family-centered resources, supports, services, and other assistance. These strategies are directed to the family unit, but ultimately benefit the individual with ID/DD.

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Strategies for Supporting Families

Information and Navigation	Networking and Community Connections	Services and Goods Directed to Family Unit
• Best practices and values within and outside of disability services	• Family-to-Family Support	• Planning for current and future needs
• Accessing and coordinating community supports	• Self-advocacy organizations	• Respite/Childcare
• Advocacy and Leadership skills	• Sib-shops	• Adaptive equipment
• Useful information	• Support Groups	• Crisis prevention and intervention
	• Professional Counseling	• Systems navigation
	• Non-disability community support	• Home modifications
		• Health and wellness management

Federal Initiatives Following Wingspread

- Community of Practice for Supporting Families of Individuals with Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities
  supportstofamilies.org/cop/

- Family Information Systems Project
  rtc.umn.edu/fisp/

- Family Support Research and Training Center

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