



Idaho Parents Unlimited, Inc. IDAHO FAMILY-TO-FAMILY HEALTH INFORMATION CENTER (F2F) 2016 DATA REPORT

Founded in 1985, Idaho Parents Unlimited, Inc. (IPUL) is a statewide organization which houses the Idaho Family-to-Family Health Information Center (F2F), along with Idaho Family Voices, the Idaho Parent Training and Information Center, the Creative Access Art Center and VSA Idaho, the State Organization on Arts and Disability. The F2F project works to help sustain the health and well-being of Idaho's families, their children and youth with special health care needs. The program values family-centered care and honors the strengths, cultures, traditions, and expertise in the family/professional partnership.

2016 IMPACT on a FAMILY

"Brandi at Idaho Parents Unlimited has been so helpful with educational and health related information. She has offered options for preschools, speech and occupational therapists and has helped find programs that can help our son. Brandi has shared her own personal experiences with health related issues to give ideas on what could possibly help with our son, which was extremely helpful when speaking with his primary care doctor. Brandi has made a huge impact in our lives as we learn more about our son's diagnosis, how to handle concerns and who/what is out there to help him. She has answered an endless amount of questions and is always willing to help!"

2016 HIGHLIGHTS

Public Health Crisis The Idaho F2F works with foster care, child protection, and mental health agencies to assist families whose children were exposed to drugs and alcohol in utero. These families are seeking therapies and supports for not only their child but their entire families.

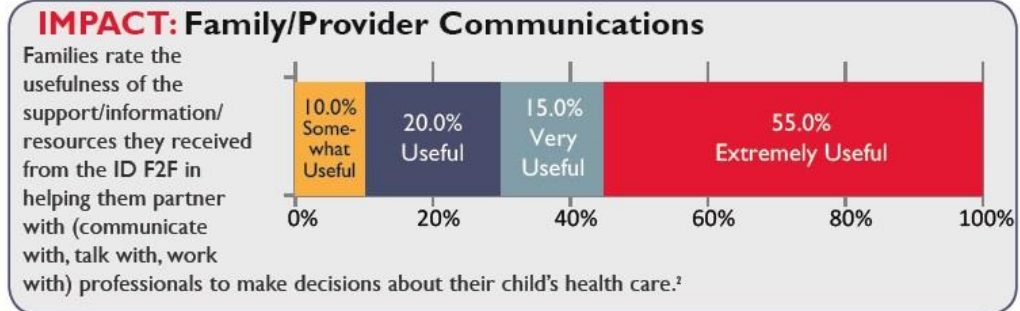
System and Legislative Impact The Idaho behavioral health system is in a state of transformation as a result of a settlement of a 30-year old lawsuit that will require specific services and treatments to be available for children with serious emotional disturbance. IPUL has been actively assisting families as they are in crisis with their children and working directly with the Department of Health and Welfare and Medicaid to identify gaps in service delivery and statewide programs. Furthermore, they have participated in improving the service delivery systems for children with developmental disabilities by working within an ongoing partnership with the Department of Health and Welfare, Division of Family and Community Services, and Medicaid. We have worked with state legislators this past year to address the behavioral health systems, foster care reform, and Idaho's non-emergency Medicaid transportation provider. IPUL has developed a system whereby parents can share their problems with the Department and key legislators, and it has led to improved systems of care.

CSHCN in ID¹

- 53,280 children (12.7%)
- 18,693 children have inadequate insurance
- 15,396 children have conditions that consistently affect their activities
- 19,965 do not receive family-centered care

OUTREACH²

Total Families Served: 7,920
Total Professionals Served: 6,615
Newsletter Subscribers: 3,915
Materials Disseminated: 2,419
Trainings: 75



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¹National Survey of Children with Special Health Care Needs. NS-CSHCN 2009/10. Data query from the Child and Adolescent Health Measurement Initiative, Data Resource Center for Child and Adolescent Health website. Retrieved 04/03/2014 from www.childhealthdata.org.
²FY2016 F2F data represents families and professionals served through one-to-one contact, training, and broader outreach from June 1, 2015 through May 31, 2016.
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