We Can’t Do This Without You!

One F2F HIC’s Authentic Partnership With Their State’s Title V CYSHCN Program

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Our Objective for Today and Beyond:

- Learn the history of Alabama’s CYSHCN Program and their commitment to family partnership.

- Learn specific activities which have helped both the F2FHIC and CYSHCN program in AL to enhance their work and improve outcomes for families in the state.

- Learn additional ideas, shared by colleagues, which will broaden your own work.

- Develop steps to be taken upon returning home, to develop new partnerships.
"Amazing person, I’d like to introduce you to another amazing person."
Chocolate is the answer. Who cares what the question is?
CRS Service Programs

- Information and Referral
- Care Coordination
- Clinical Specialty Evaluation
- Clinical Medical
- Client/Family Education
- Parent Connection
- Youth Connection
Clinical Specialty Evaluation Program

Evaluation Clinics:

- Augmentative communication/technology (ACT)
- Feeding and Nutrition
- Speech Pathology
- Hearing aid evaluation/orientation
- Teen transition
- Seating, positioning, mobility
CRS Parent Connection Program

- Parent Advisory Committees
- Parent Consultants
- Parent Connection Newsletter
- Resource Centers for Families
- Parent-to-Parent Network
Extending Our Reach
Parent Consultant Partnership
Self • Others • Wider Community
Self ● Others ● Wider Community
Self • Others • Wider Community
• Home to the F2F HIC
  • staffed by four family members, who each have children/youth with special health needs

• offer information, training, & technical assistance to families and professionals

• mentor families via one-to-one contacts
• Home to the F2F HIC
  • Provide information and resources via our website (www.familyvoicesal.org).

• Nurture collaboration between families and professionals in the state.

• Assist families to make more informed decisions about their children’s health care and be better able to participate in systems building activities in their communities and states.
Our Programs

• Partners in Care Summit

• Family Leadership Development at annual Early Intervention Conference

• Training and Workshops, including Emergency Preparedness

• Printed information and products for families and professionals
Family Leadership Development at Annual Early Intervention Conference
Where Policies Are Made Is Where Advocacy Is Needed
CoIIN for Children with Medical Complexity
National Presenters at the Partners in Care Summit
Alabama Presenters at the Partners in Care Summit
You Are Invited!
Family Voices of Alabama Partnering with CRS in Conducting The MCH 5 Year Needs Assessment

- Recruit participants
- Meeting logistics
- Reimbursement to families who attend
“Family Engagement- Let’s Make a Commitment”
CRS Leadership Retreat
Make a Wish ● Take a Chance ● Make a Change …
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The Mutual Benefits of Our F2F HIC’s Authentic Partnership with our State’s Title V CYSHCN Program
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