



## Improving Family Centeredness Together In the NYS Early Intervention Program

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### Introduction

We need your help! New York State Department of Health wants to make the Early Intervention Program better. We are looking for parents and family members who have a child who is receiving early intervention services now or recently received services in the past year. This is a special chance to help make the program better by making sure families are getting connected to the community and to other families.

Family members will join a team of 3-6 people, including early intervention providers, service coordinators, and county Early Intervention officials. State and national experts will help each team. There will be one, in-person session of teams from many counties in your area of the state followed by monthly interactive online sessions. We want family members to share experience and ideas about how to connect families to the community and to other parents.

If you are interested in this opportunity, please fill out the form below and return the form by August 31, 2018.

### Contact Information

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Home): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (Cell): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates (start and end) your child(ren) was enrolled in Early Intervention Services: \_\_\_\_\_

### Experiences with Early Intervention Services

➤ **What services has your child received during their involvement in Early Intervention? (Please circle all that apply)**

- |   |                        |                         |                  |
|---|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| Physical Therapy                        | Occupational Therapy   | Speech Language Therapy | Audiology        |
| Special Instruction                     | Psychological Services | Service Coordination    | Nursing Services |
| Nutrition Services                      | Social Work Services   | Vision Services         |                  |
| Assistive Technology Devices & Services |                        | Group Developmental     | Other: _____     |

➤ **How would you rate your satisfaction with services received through the NYS Early Intervention Program? (Please select one)**

- 5-Very Satisfied      4-Satisfied      3-Neither Satisfied or Dissatisfied      2-Dissatisfied      1-Very Dissatisfied

**Other related experiences**

- **Are you involved in any advocacy and/or community activities (e.g., advisory group membership, participation on local boards, etc.) related to young children with developmental disorders?**  
 Yes      No

If Yes, please describe:

**Please tell us why you are interested in being part of this team.**

- **What interests you about this project? Please let us know so we can help plan.**

**Availability**

We want team members to:

- Attend one, in person session.
- Be part of monthly interaction online sessions to share experience and ideas.

Are you able to commit to this time requirement?    Yes      No

Do you have internet access?    Yes      No

Do you have access to a computer?    Yes      No

Do you require accommodations related to transportation?    Yes      No

Do you require accommodations related to spoken language?    Yes      No

Do you require any other accommodations?    Yes      No

If Yes, please specify:

**Travel Expenses**

Parent/Family Team Members will receive travel reimbursement for expenses directly related to the in-person team meetings.

**\*To submit the application:**

Complete all information fields, save form and email as an attachment to: [BEI.SSIP@health.ny.gov](mailto:BEI.SSIP@health.ny.gov).

Or send by Mail to:

New York State Department of Health  
 Bureau of Early Intervention  
 Corning Tower, Room 287  
 Albany, New York 12237-0660

**For questions or additional information:**

Contact your County Early Intervention Program, or the Bureau of Early Intervention, by email at [BEI.SSIP@health.ny.gov](mailto:BEI.SSIP@health.ny.gov) or by phone at (518) 473-7016.

For more information on the Early Intervention Program:

[http://www.health.ny.gov/community/infants\\_children/early\\_intervention](http://www.health.ny.gov/community/infants_children/early_intervention)