



Nevada Early Intervention Summer Family Newsletter

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Message from Part C's State Family Resource Coordinator, Information & Referral... Happy Independence Day!

Dear Parents/Families,

By seeking help from early intervention (EI) services for your child you were probably hoping to learn new information about your child and about how you could assist them in their overall development.

The goal of EI services is to give very young children (birth to 36 months) a good beginning in closing developmental gaps that may have occurred because of a diagnosed disability or "high-risk" condition in their young lives.

EI enhances their overall growth by supporting the development of skills that other kids their age typically acquire, and is also designed to support and teach the family effective ways to interact with their child and each other.

One might ask why so much emphasis is placed on EI if services are only available for a short few years.

Children do not stop learning once they turn three years of age, and current brain research suggests that there exists a "window of opportunity" while they are in their early years where neurological brain paths are still growing the most. Research shows that the earlier the intervention, the more we are able to close those developmental gaps.

If you would like more information about Nevada's Early Intervention Services, you can contact us at: ProjectAssist@dhhs.nv.gov or call 1-800-522-0066.

You can also read the [Parent Handbook](#) for more information at: http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/Early_Intervention_Programs

Sincerely,
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Parents/Families,

An invitation to attend... NEVADA'S EARLY INTERVENTION INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL (ICC)

Nevada's **ICC** was set up to advise and assist Nevada in the development and implementation of a statewide system of early intervention services for young children with developmental delays or disabilities and their families. It is especially important to hear from families and we encourage you to participate. **This will be a virtual ICC meeting. Members of the public are welcome to join through computer or smart phone via TEAMS. Thursday – July 15, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.**

Microsoft Teams meeting - Join on your computer or mobile app

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Or call in (audio only) +1 775-321-6111 / Phone Conference ID: 425808557#

Meeting Physical Location: 1000 E. William St., Suite 104, Carson City, NV 89701

You can also find the **Join button** on the ICC web page with the meeting agenda — posted at:

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ICC/Meetings/>

The ICC bylaws and membership can be viewed at

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ICC/Home/>

under **"Who is on the ICC?"**, click on **Current Membership**.

For information contact us at ProjectAssist@dhhs.nv.gov or 1-800-522-0066

Been There, Done That!

Originally from the Midwest, I moved to Las Vegas in 2014 where I currently reside with my partner, Kenny, and our 4-year old son, Lennon. Lennon has been diagnosed with severe autism, sensory processing disorder, suspected intellectual disability, and a suspected speech impairment. There are additional pieces to his personality that have me believe diagnosis of OCD and ADHD are in our future as well.



Lennon started with Nevada Early Intervention Services (NEIS) and is currently receiving ABA in-home services and in-clinic OT and SLP. After a just a few weeks in the Clark County School District hybrid model of the KIDs Program, Lennon made it clear that school was somewhere he wanted to be. And while I'm absolutely terrified, he will be taking part when they switch to full-time, in-person this April. Over the last few months Lennon has made some amazing strides - he said his first word (apple) and started reciting his numbers (1-10). Of course now he randomly will just say "apple, apple, apple" or count to ten on repeat, but I just love hearing his voice.

We were fortunate in that we had a great team supporting us while at NEIS - from our Developmental Specialist to behavior technicians to SLPs and OTs - they ALL rallied around Lennon. But, as many of you know, even with all the support in the world the challenges that come are a lot. And I know that while our experience was relatively smooth, I know that is not the case for many others. I'm active on many social media forums with families similar to mine who have children that require extra supports. Often these families have a lot of questions and find it incredibly challenging to navigate services. While there are many things I find myself well-versed in (like advocating for my son and being aware of what options for services are out there) there are others I find incredibly difficult (pretty much anything to do with insurance or financial assistance programs).

Additionally, I support the marketing efforts for two amazing organizations that provide services to this amazing community - Opportunity Village and Capability Health.

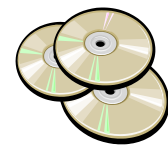
I'm so excited to be a part of Nevada's Early Intervention Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC) and hope that my voice on the Council will be a welcome, helpful and insightful one. Thank you" ~ Kristin Hoxie, ICC Parent Representative

"As noted in the legislation, families are vital to the results of infants and toddlers in early intervention. When families do not know their rights, they are not able to effectively advocate for their children's needs. And if families leave Part C without being able to effectively communicate their children's needs and help their children develop and learn, then Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) has not met the intent of the law for supporting families and their infants and toddlers. We see the inclusion of family outcomes in the determinations process as a way to elevate family voice." – OSEP Determinations, 2019

The Part C Family Newsletter has opportunities to suggest and share... You are invited to submit articles, share your story, or include your child in a Family Spotlight, with a photo. (All items are subject to editing and review.)



FREE LENDING LIBRARY



Hundreds of books and DVDs are available for use statewide—
contact your service provider or coordinator.

NEW BOOKS & DVDs IN!!!

Autism in America (DVD) – “Autism in America” is an astounding, eye opening and educational documentary. Autism is the fastest growing developmental disability in the U.S. and it affects one in fifty-eight children. This informative film covers every aspect of living with autism including the financial and emotional effects on parents. In the documentary numerous experts on autism are interviewed as well as many parents.

I Am Potential (DVD) – Patrick Henry Hughes was born without eyes and his joints didn't form properly, keeping him from ever walking. This is the story of how a father learned to sacrifice all of his own dreams and plans for the sake of his son. While his father worked to provide for the expensive procedures, Patrick Henry dreamed of one day becoming a member of a real marching band. Patrick Henry had to fight all the odds to become an accomplished pianist, trumpet player and singer.

The Complete Guide to Creating a Special Needs Life Plan: A Comprehensive Approach Integrating Life, Resource, Financial and Legal Planning to Ensure a Brighter Future for a Person with a Disability – This book provides comprehensive guidance on creating a life plan to transition a special needs child to independence or to ensure they are well cared for in the future. Beginning with a vision of a meaningful life for the child, this book explains how to form a practical plan to reach these goals, how to mentor personal empowerment and task skills, and how to create circles of support to sustain a life plan.

Coping with Sensory Processing Disorder in Children – Sensory Processing Disorder is a disorder where the brain has trouble getting and giving an answer to information that comes in through the senses and are generally observed in developmental conditions like autism spectrum disorder. Some individuals with sensory processing disorder are oversensitive to things in their environment. This book offers comprehensive, clear information for parents and professionals.

30 Days to Understanding Autism – “...30 Days to Understanding Autism represents one of the best basic overviews of autism spectrum disorder. Casey Chaffey’s parental perspective on autism and its associated challenges is sure to be a source of encouragement to other parents looking for reliable information as they begin their journey to comprehending the complexities of their child’s diagnosis. This concise but impactful treatment also serves as a go-to guide for grandparents, caregivers, friends, and anyone desiring an informed outlook on autism.”

Breaking Through Special Needs: The Ultimate Guide To Navigating Life As A Special Needs Parent – Here is some of what you’ll learn in this book: • How to be an advocate in an unconventional role • What you should know to navigate the uphill battles in a life you never expected • All about life from the sibling’s perspective - how it is parallel to your experience, and ultimately how to understand and help them navigate their journey • Education, tips, information, and advice on lifting and transfers to help keep you AND your child safe - what you should know as they get bigger • How to incorporate home exercises and maintain a healthy lifestyle for your child (that may not be what you think) • Understanding your child's behavior and how exercise can help kids diagnosed with ADHD and Autism maintain routine and sleep.

Special Needs Trusts: Protect Your Child's Financial Future (Eighth Edition) – Leave money to a loved one with a disability—without losing benefits. Use a special needs trust to provide financial security for your child (or anyone) with a disability, without jeopardizing important government benefits. Funds in a special needs trust do not count against eligibility for benefits and can be used to improve the quality of your child’s life. The authors explain: how special needs trusts work; the trustee’s role; ways to pass important information to successor trustees; the pros and cons of joining a pooled trust.

CPDAD: My life as a special needs parent – When becoming a parent, you have to adapt to life's changes and challenges. Roger and his wife have adapted to and have risen above adversity. You learn as you go and you see your child grow into themselves.

Small Talk: Bringing Listening and Spoken Language to Your Young Child with Hearing Loss – This outstanding book breaks down the important things today's parents need to know and do, from first diagnosis to educational steps in the journey toward raising a listening and talking child. Chapters include tips (e.g., helping your baby or toddler ease into hearing device use, exposing him to language at home) plus easy to understand information on relevant topics such as pediatric hearing tests, IEP team roles, resources and more.

The Mama Memoirs: Embracing Life, Relationships, and Identity While Raising a Child with Special Needs – Karen Richards writes with advice she searched for but could never find, things she wished she could do differently, and practical tips for the parents, teachers, and community of a child with special needs. She opens a window into topics such as postpartum depression, marriage, medical debt, navigating the school system and more.

If you have questions or recommendations for the Library, send an email to

ProjectAssist@dhhs.nv.gov

Catalog at: <http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ProjectASSIST/Special-Ed-Library/>

The first Sunday of September following Labor Day is **National Grandparents Day**. This year it is on September 10. Grandparents are important sources of support and often play very important roles in the lives of our children with a disability or special health care need. So remember to celebrate our grandparents, spend some time to acknowledge and appreciate grandparents and all of the love and support they bring to our lives.



FREE – National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Access Pass.

This is a lifetime pass for U.S. citizens, permanent residents with permanent disabilities.

Documentation is required to obtain the pass. The pass in most cases provides free access to, and use of, Federal recreation sites that charge an Entrance fee. The pass admits the pass holder and passengers in a non-commercial vehicle at per vehicle fee areas, and pass holder + 3 adults, not to exceed 4 adults, at per person fee areas (children under 16 are admitted free). **The pass can only be obtained in person at the park or from a participating Federal recreation site or office.** For more information, visit,

<https://store.usgs.gov/access-pass>

Nevada PEP, as the statewide Parent Training and Information Center, offers support, community resources, and will try to help your family find solutions. We are also available for family team meetings. Nevada PEP is offering live webinars on disability related topics.

They provide webinars such as “*Making the Most Out of Your Baby’s Early Intervention Services*”, a training for Parents who have concerns about their child’s development. Early intervention services can help your infant or toddler with a disability learn, grow, and meet milestones. This workshop is for families of children under the age of three who want to learn more about the services that are available to enhance their baby’s development.

If you want more information visit their website at www.nvpep.org/

September is National Preparedness Month

Centers for Disease Control’s (CDC) Emergency Kit Checklist for Families with Children and Youth with Special Healthcare Needs – If a child with special healthcare needs is part of your family it is very important to be prepared for an emergency in which you may have to stay inside for longer than usual or in the event the electricity goes out. An emergency kit is necessary for all families, and especially important for families of children with special healthcare needs.

<https://www.cdc.gov/childrenindisasters/checklists/special-healthcare-needs.html>

If you’re going to raise a child with special needs, you’re going to need a sense of humor, and you’re going to need to be an advocate.

This oft heard phrase, “We have more in common than separates us” shows how important listening to others can be and is a great way to feel less alone and more connected. And if you’re the parent of a child with special needs, the internet can be an amazing tool for finding other parents sharing your special journey, finding answers to tough questions, and gaining the support you can’t always find in real life.

**WE WILL
GET
THROUGH
THIS
TOGETHER**

[Elko Area Support for Children with Special Needs— A Facebook Group page](#)

I made this facebook page so we as a community can openly talk about our difficulties, struggles and achievements! I want us to be there for each other. Feel free to ask advice from other parents who go through the same struggles.

[Special Needs Families of Northern Nevada – A Facebook Group page](#)

Special Needs Families of Northern Nevada – A facebook group for people living in Northern Nevada (& surrounding areas) that are caring for a loved one with any kind of special needs. A place to share resources, vent, celebrate, and support each other throughout this journey.

[Special Needs Families of Southern Nevada – A Facebook Group page](#)

A group for people living in Southern Nevada who are caring for a loved one with any kind of special need. A place to share resources, vent, celebrate, and support each other throughout this journey.

PROJECT ASSIST—RESOURCE & REFERRAL

Project ASSIST is Nevada's early intervention central resource directory for anyone seeking information about resources such as organizations, programs or agencies that may provide services and supports for children with developmental delays or disabilities and their families. Project ASSIST helps to inform and educate families as well as the general public to improve outcomes for Nevada families and their communities.



The inclusion of any link on these websites does not imply endorsement.

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ProjectASSIST/>



INFORMATIONAL RESOURCES—

On this page, you can find information from ABLÉ Accounts to Katie Beckett and more.

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ProjectASSIST/Informational-Resources/>

RESOURCES FOR FATHERS—

"The need for accurate and up-to-date resources and information when raising a child with special needs is paramount. Indeed, information is power. The more you know, the more you can take charge and bring about positive outcomes for your child and your family." ~ Fathers Network

Information, Articles and Videos to educate and support dads.

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ProjectASSIST/Fathers/>



LOCAL RESOURCES—

Can help you find local agencies, organizations and programs that may be able to provide supports or other referrals and services.

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ProjectASSIST/Local-Resources/>

STATEWIDE RESOURCES—

Can help you find statewide agencies, organizations and programs that may be able to provide supports or other referrals and services.

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ProjectASSIST/Statewide-Resources/>



NATIONAL RESOURCES—

Can help you find national agencies, organizations and programs that may be able to provide supports or other referrals and services.

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ProjectASSIST/National-Resources/>

"I AM A BIG BELIEVER IN EARLY INTERVENTION" - Temple Grandin

Due to changes in operations, please contact your providers for current schedules of activities or events.

EI program information > http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/Early_Intervention_Programs/

NORTHEASTERN NEVADA EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES

* contact your Developmental Specialist/Service Coordinator for more information

⇒ ***Nevada Early Intervention Services (NEIS)—Elko/Ely/Winnemucca:***

- Elko (775) 753-1214 / Ely (775) 289-1622 / Winnemucca (775) 623-6593

NORTHWESTERN NEVADA EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES

* contact your Developmental Specialist/Service Coordinator for more information

⇒ ***Nevada Early Intervention Services (NEIS)—Carson City:***

- (775) 687-0101

⇒ ***Nevada Early Intervention Services (NEIS)—Reno:***

- (775) 688-1341

⇒ ***Advanced Pediatric Therapies (APT)—Reno:***

- (775) 825-4744

⇒ ***Capability Health and Human Services (CHHS)—Reno:***

- (775) 434-0488

⇒ ***Therapy Management Group (TMG)—Reno:***

- (877) 360-7045

⇒ ***The Continuum (TC)—Reno:***

- (775) 829-4710



SOUTHERN NEVADA EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES

* contact your Developmental Specialist/Service Coordinator for more information

⇒ ***Nevada Early Intervention Services (NEIS)—Las Vegas:***

- (702) 486-7670

⇒ ***Capability Health and Human Services (CHHS)—Las Vegas:***

- (702) 870-7050

⇒ ***MD Developmental Agency (MDDA)—Las Vegas:***

- (702) 268-8513

⇒ ***Positively Kids (PK)—Las Vegas:***

- (702) 262-0037, ext 4

⇒ ***Therapy Management Group (TMG)—Las Vegas:***

- (702) 595-5437



*"Diversity is being invited to the party;
inclusion is being asked to dance." – Verna Meyers*

Nevada's Central Directory website, filled with information and resources, includes a "Links" page with all kinds of useful local, state, and national websites.

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ProjectASSIST>



Would you like to...



- *learn about important issues affecting families with young children with special needs in their community*
- *be a voice for those families by communicating with local and state decision makers*
- *offer support for activities that strengthen the family-community partnership*
- *network with other individuals during scheduled meetings*
- *gain experience and expertise in developing programs and projects that benefit those families*
- *obtain resources and other materials on a wide variety of concerns facing today's families*
- *grow personally through leadership development training*

This is a Great Opportunity!!!

The "**FAMILY SUPPORT RESOURCE SUBCOMMITTEE**" (FSRS) is a standing subcommittee of Nevada's Early Intervention Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC) and is made up of parents of young children with special needs and others who are interested in supporting early intervention. There are 4 teleconference meetings a year.

Nevada's Early Intervention Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC) was established under federal law for the purpose of advising and assisting Nevada and its Early Intervention Services (serving children birth until three) in managing their responsibilities under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

The FAMILY SUPPORT RESOURCE SUBCOMMITTEE Mission Statement:

The Nevada ICC's Family Support Resource Subcommittee will support ICC activities and ensure the ICC responds to issues important to families, strengthen and broaden family involvement at all policy and service levels, increase ICC communication with families, provide public awareness support, and identify and support efforts to improve early intervention services and programs within communities.

The FAMILY SUPPORT RESOURCE SUBCOMMITTEE Goals/Objectives include:

Developing and facilitating parent presentations to Early Intervention Programs, possible "Family Leadership Training for Families" with ICC Parent Representatives, ICC Family Support Resource Committee Members, Program Resource Parents, parent leaders and interested parents throughout the state. They would present their discussions and recommendations at ICC meetings.

Assisting in the development of ideas for new family support projects, which could be piloted in the state and whenever possible serve on other ICC subcommittees or task forces.

Planning and implementing strategies for recruiting, training, and supporting parents to assist with and participate in statewide activities, and policy development roles within the state.

If you are interested or know of someone who might be, please contact us at

projectassist@dhhs.nv.gov

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ICC/Home/>

Parents. . . want to make a difference in Nevada's early intervention system?!

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ICC/Home/>



We are looking for parents to represent Nevada families on the Nevada Early Intervention Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC). Specifically, we are looking for a parent who has experience with our State's early intervention services.

What is the ICC?

The purpose of the ICC is to advise and assist Nevada and the Early Intervention system in developing, implementing, and promoting a program of family-centered early intervention services for all eligible infants, toddlers and their families. The Governor appoints all members of the ICC for a three year term.

Why is it important for parents like me to serve?

You know what it feels like to have a child with a disability. You know what it feels like to have early intervention professionals in your home, working with you and your child. You probably have opinions about what worked well and what could have worked better. Your perspective is very important. As the ICC works with the State to make program changes, family input is an integral part of the process.

What would I be asked to do?

- Attend the 4 general meetings of the Interagency Coordinating Council, each year.
- Respond to email communications regarding the ICC
- Contribute information and your unique perspective regarding issues that impact Nevada early intervention programs

Would I be reimbursed for attending?

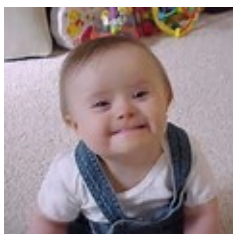
All parent members may receive a child care stipend for attending each of the 4 ICC meetings, as well as compensation and/or reimbursement of expenses for other meetings.

Am I eligible to apply?

You must be a parent/guardian of a child who has received early intervention services, now or in the recent past, with preference to parents of children currently in Early Intervention services.

If you are interested, contact your service coordinator or Nevada's IDEA Part C office.

Email: ProjectAssist@dhhs.nv.gov





Boletín familiar de verano de intervención temprana en Nevada

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Mensaje del Coordinador estatal de recursos familiares de la Parte C, información y referencia... *Happy Independence Day!*

Estimados padres/familias,

Al buscar ayuda de los servicios de intervención temprana (EI, por sus siglas en inglés) para su hijo, probablemente esperaba obtener nueva información sobre su hijo y sobre cómo podría ayudarlos en su desarrollo general.

El objetivo de los servicios de EI es dar a los niños muy pequeños (nacidos a los 36 meses) un buen comienzo en el cierre de las brechas de desarrollo que pueden haber ocurrido debido a una discapacidad diagnosticada o condición de "alto riesgo" en sus vidas jóvenes.

Ei mejora su crecimiento general al apoyar el desarrollo de habilidades que otros niños de su edad suelen adquirir, y también está diseñado para apoyar y enseñar a la familia maneras efectivas de interactuar con su hijo y entre sí.

Uno podría preguntarse por qué se pone tanto énfasis en EI si los servicios sólo están disponibles por unos pocos años.

Los niños no dejan de aprender una vez que cumplen tres años de edad, y la investigación cerebral actual sugiere que existe una "ventana de oportunidad" mientras están en sus primeros años donde los caminos neurológicos del cerebro siguen creciendo más. La investigación muestra que cuanto antes se trata de la intervención, más somos capaces de cerrar esas brechas de desarrollo.

Si desea obtener más información sobre los Servicios de Intervención Temprana de Nevada, puede comunicarse con nosotros al: ProjectAssist@dhhs.nv.gov o llamar al 1-800-522-0066.

También puede leer el [Manual para padres](#) para obtener más información en: http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/Early_Intervention_Programs

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Estimados padres / familias,

Una invitación para asistir ...

Consejo de Coordinación Interinstitucional de Intervención Temprana de Nevada (ICC)

El ICC de Nevada se creó para asesorar y ayudar a Nevada en el desarrollo e implementación de un sistema estatal de servicios de intervención temprana para niños pequeños con retrasos en su desarrollo o discapacidades y sus familias. Es especialmente importante escuchar a las familias y lo alentamos a participar. **Esta será una reunión virtual de la ICC. Los miembros del público son bienvenidos a unirse a través de computadora o teléfono inteligente a través de TEAMS.** La próxima reunión: **Jueves 15 de julio de 2021 a las 10:00 a.m.**

Microsoft Teams meeting - Join on your computer or mobile app

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

O llamar (solo audio) +1 775-321-6111 / Id. de conferencia telefónica: 425808557#

Ubicación física de Meetng: 1000 E. William St., Suite 104, Carson City, NV 89701

También puede encontrar el **botón Unirse** en la página web de la CPI con la agenda de la reunión, publicada en: <http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ICC/Meetings/>

Los estatutos y la membresía de ICC se pueden ver en

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ICC/Home/>

debajo de "[¿Quién está en el ICC?](#)", haga clic en [Membresía actual](#).

Para obtener información, contáctenos en ProjectAssist@dhhs.nv.gov o 1-800-522-0066

¡He estado ahí, hecho eso!

Originario del Medio Oeste, me mudé a Las Vegas en 2014, donde actualmente resido con mi pareja, Kenny, y nuestro hijo de 4 años, Lennon. Lennon ha sido diagnosticado con autismo severo, trastorno del procesamiento sensorial, sospecha de discapacidad intelectual y un presunto deterioro del habla. Hay piezas adicionales en su personalidad que me tienen creer que el diagnóstico de TOC y TDAH también están en nuestro futuro.



Lennon comenzó con Nevada Early Intervention Services (NEIS) y actualmente está recibiendo servicios en el hogar de ABA y OT y SLP en la clínica. Después de unas pocas semanas en el modelo híbrido del Distrito Escolar del Condado de Clark del Programa KIDS, Lennon dejó claro que la escuela estaba en algún lugar donde quería estar. Y aunque estoy absolutamente aterrorizado, él participará cuando cambien a tiempo completo, en persona este abril. En los últimos meses Lennon ha hecho algunos avances increíbles - dijo su primera palabra (manzana) y comenzó a recitar sus números (1-10). Por supuesto ahora sólo dirá "manzana, manzana, manzana" o contará hasta diez en repetición, pero me encanta escuchar su voz.

Tuvimos la suerte de que teníamos un gran equipo que nos apoyaba mientras estábamos en NEIS, desde nuestro especialista en desarrollo hasta técnicos de comportamiento, slps y OTs, todos se reunieron alrededor de Lennon. Pero, como muchos de ustedes saben, incluso con todo el apoyo del mundo los desafíos que vienen son muchos. Y sé que si bien nuestra experiencia fue relativamente suave, sé que no es el caso de muchos otros. Estoy activo en muchos foros de redes sociales con familias similares a las mías que tienen hijos que requieren apoyos adicionales. A menudo estas familias tienen muchas preguntas y les resulta increíblemente difícil navegar por los servicios. Si bien hay muchas cosas en las que me encuentro bien versado (como abogar por mi hijo y ser consciente de qué opciones de servicios hay por ahí) hay otras que encuentro increíblemente difíciles (casi cualquier cosa que tenga que ver con los programas de seguro o asistencia financiera).

Además, apoyo los esfuerzos de marketing para dos organizaciones increíbles que proporcionan servicios a esta increíble comunidad: Opportunity Village y Capability Health.

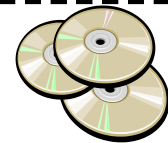
Estoy muy emocionado de formar parte del Consejo Interinstitucional de Intervención Temprana (ICC) de Nevada y espero que mi voz sobre el Consejo sea bienvenida, útil y perspicaz. Gracias" ~ Kristin Hoxie, Representante de los Padres de la ICC

"Como se señala en la legislación, las familias son vitales para los resultados de los bebés y los niños pequeños en la intervención temprana. Cuando las familias no conocen sus derechos, no son capaces de defender eficazmente las necesidades de sus hijos. Y si las familias abandonan la Parte C sin poder comunicar eficazmente las necesidades de sus hijos y ayudar a sus hijos a desarrollarse y aprender, entonces la Parte C de la Ley de Educación para Individuos con Discapacidades (IDEA, por sus hijos) no ha cumplido con la intención de la ley para apoyar a las familias y sus bebés y niños pequeños. Vemos la inclusión de los resultados familiares en el proceso de determinaciones como una manera de elevar la voz de la familia." - OSEP Determinations, 2019

El Boletín Familiar de la Parte C tiene oportunidades de sugerir y compartir... Se le invita a enviar artículos, compartir su historia o incluir a su hijo en un foco familiar, con una foto. (Todos los elementos están sujetos a edición y revisión.)



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NEW BOOKS & DVDs IN!!!

Autism in America (DVD) – “Autism in America” is an astounding, eye opening and educational documentary. Autism is the fastest growing developmental disability in the U.S. and it affects one in fifty-eight children. This informative film covers every aspect of living with autism including the financial and emotional effects on parents. In the documentary numerous experts on autism are interviewed as well as many parents.

I Am Potential (DVD) – Patrick Henry Hughes was born without eyes and his joints didn't form properly, keeping him from ever walking. This is the story of how a father learned to sacrifice all of his own dreams and plans for the sake of his son. While his father worked to provide for the expensive procedures, Patrick Henry dreamed of one day becoming a member of a real marching band. Patrick Henry had to fight all the odds to become an accomplished pianist, trumpet player and singer.

The Complete Guide to Creating a Special Needs Life Plan: A Comprehensive Approach Integrating Life, Resource, Financial and Legal Planning to Ensure a Brighter Future for a Person with a Disability – This book provides comprehensive guidance on creating a life plan to transition a special needs child to independence or to ensure they are well cared for in the future. Beginning with a vision of a meaningful life for the child, this book explains how to form a practical plan to reach these goals, how to mentor personal empowerment and task skills, and how to create circles of support to sustain a life plan.

Coping with Sensory Processing Disorder in Children – Sensory Processing Disorder is a disorder where the brain has trouble getting and giving an answer to information that comes in through the senses and are generally observed in developmental conditions like autism spectrum disorder. Some individuals with sensory processing disorder are oversensitive to things in their environment. This book offers comprehensive, clear information for parents and professionals.

30 Days to Understanding Autism – “...30 Days to Understanding Autism represents one of the best basic overviews of autism spectrum disorder. Casey Chaffey’s parental perspective on autism and its associated challenges is sure to be a source of encouragement to other parents looking for reliable information as they begin their journey to comprehending the complexities of their child’s diagnosis. This concise but impactful treatment also serves as a go-to guide for grandparents, caregivers, friends, and anyone desiring an informed outlook on autism.”

Breaking Through Special Needs: The Ultimate Guide To Navigating Life As A Special Needs Parent – Here is some of what you’ll learn in this book: • How to be an advocate in an unconventional role • What you should know to navigate the uphill battles in a life you never expected • All about life from the sibling’s perspective - how it is parallel to your experience, and ultimately how to understand and help them navigate their journey • Education, tips, information, and advice on lifting and transfers to help keep you AND your child safe - what you should know as they get bigger • How to incorporate home exercises and maintain a healthy lifestyle for your child (that may not be what you think) • Understanding your child's behavior and how exercise can help kids diagnosed with ADHD and Autism maintain routine and sleep.

Special Needs Trusts: Protect Your Child's Financial Future (Eighth Edition) – Leave money to a loved one with a disability—without losing benefits. Use a special needs trust to provide financial security for your child (or anyone) with a disability, without jeopardizing important government benefits. Funds in a special needs trust do not count against eligibility for benefits and can be used to improve the quality of your child’s life. The authors explain: how special needs trusts work; the trustee’s role; ways to pass important information to successor trustees; the pros and cons of joining a pooled trust.

CPDAD: My life as a special needs parent – When becoming a parent, you have to adapt to life's changes and challenges. Roger and his wife have adapted to and have risen above adversity. You learn as you go and you see your child grow into themselves.

Small Talk: Bringing Listening and Spoken Language to Your Young Child with Hearing Loss – This outstanding book breaks down the important things today’s parents need to know and do, from first diagnosis to educational steps in the journey toward raising a listening and talking child. Chapters include tips (e.g., helping your baby or toddler ease into hearing device use, exposing him to language at home) plus easy to understand information on relevant topics such as pediatric hearing tests, IEP team roles, resources and more.

The Mama Memoirs: Embracing Life, Relationships, and Identity While Raising a Child with Special Needs – Karen Richards writes with advice she searched for but could never find, things she wished she could do differently, and practical tips for the parents, teachers, and community of a child with special needs. She opens a window into topics such as postpartum depression, marriage, medical debt, navigating the school system and more.

If you have questions or recommendations for the Library, send an email to

ProjectAssist@dhhs.nv.gov

Catalog at: <http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ProjectASSIST/Special-Ed-Library/>

El primer domingo de septiembre después del Día del Trabajo es **el Día Nacional de los Abuelos**. Este año es el 10 de septiembre. Los abuelos son fuentes importantes de apoyo y a menudo desempeñan un papel muy importante en la vida de nuestros hijos con una discapacidad o necesidad especial de atención médica. Así que recuerda celebrar a nuestros abuelos, pasar algún tiempo para reconocer y apreciar a los abuelos y todo el amor y apoyo que traen a nuestras vidas.

Feliz día de los abuelos!



GRATIS – Pases de acceso a parques nacionales y tierras recreativas federales:

Este es un pase de por vida para los ciudadanos estadounidenses, residentes permanentes con discapacidades permanentes.

Se requiere documentación para obtener el pase. El pase en la mayoría de los casos proporciona acceso gratuito y uso de sitios de recreación federal que cobran una tarifa de entrada. El pase admite que el titular del pase y los pasajeros en un vehículo no comercial por vehículo se encuentran en zonas de tarifa por vehículo, y el titular del pase + 3 adultos, no superior a 4 adultos, en las zonas de tarifa por persona (los niños menores de 16 años son admitidos gratis). **El pase solo se puede obtener en persona en el parque o en un sitio u oficina de recreación federal participante.** Para obtener más información:

<https://store.usgs.gov/access-pass>

Nevada PEP, como centro estatal de capacitación e información para padres, ofrece apoyo, recursos comunitarios y tratará de ayudar a su familia a encontrar soluciones. También estamos disponibles para reuniones de equipo familiar. Nevada PEP está ofreciendo seminarios web en vivo sobre temas relacionados con la discapacidad.

Proporcionan seminarios web como *"Aprovechar al máximo los servicios de intervención temprana de su bebé"*, una formación para los padres que tienen preocupaciones sobre el desarrollo de su hijo. Los servicios de intervención temprana pueden ayudar a su bebé o niño pequeño con discapacidad a aprender, crecer y cumplir con los hitos. Este taller es para familias de niños menores de tres años que quieran aprender más sobre los servicios disponibles para mejorar el desarrollo de su bebé.

Si desea más información visite su sitio web en www.nvpep.org/

Septiembre es mes nacional de preparación

*Lista de verificación del kit de emergencia de los Centros para el Control de Enfermedades (CDC) **para familias con niños y jóvenes con necesidades especiales de atención médica:*** si un niño con necesidades especiales de atención médica es parte de su familia, es muy importante estar preparado para una emergencia en la que pueda tener que permanecer dentro por más tiempo del habitual o en caso de que la electricidad se agote. Un kit de emergencia es necesario para todas las familias, y especialmente importante para las familias de niños con necesidades especiales de atención médica.

<https://www.cdc.gov/childrenindisasters/checklists/special-healthcare-needs.html>

Si vas a criar a un niño con necesidades especiales, vas a necesitar sentido del humor, y vas a necesitar ser investigador/investigador y defensor.

Una frase escuchada a tope, "Tenemos más en común que nos separa" muestra lo importante que puede ser escuchar a los demás y es una gran manera de sentirse menos solos y más conectados. Y si usted es el padre de un niño con necesidades especiales, internet puede ser una herramienta increíble para encontrar otros padres que comparten su viaje especial, encontrar respuestas a preguntas difíciles y obtener el apoyo que no siempre puede encontrar en la vida.

**LO HAREMOS
Obtener
a través de
éste
junto**

[Apoyo al área de Elko para niños con necesidades especiales- Una página del Grupo Facebook](#)

Hice esta página de Facebook para que nosotros como comunidad podamos hablar abiertamente sobre nuestras dificultades, luchas y logros! Quiero que estemos allí el uno para el otro. Siéntase libre de pedir consejo a otros padres que pasan por las mismas dificultades.

[Familias con necesidades especiales del norte de Nevada – Una página del Grupo Facebook](#)

Un grupo de facebook para personas que viven en el norte de Nevada (”, que están cuidando a un ser querido con cualquier tipo de necesidades especiales. Un lugar para compartir recursos, desahogarse, celebrarse y apoyarse mutuamente a lo largo de este viaje.

[Familias con necesidades especiales del sur de Nevada – Una página del grupo de Facebook](#)

Un grupo para personas que viven en el sur de Nevada que están cuidando a un ser querido con cualquier tipo de necesidad especial. Un lugar para compartir recursos, desahogarse, celebrarse y apoyarse mutuamente a lo largo de este viaje.

PROJECT ASSIST—RECURSO Y REFERENCIA

Project ASSIST es el directorio central de recursos de intervención temprana de Nevada para cualquier persona que busque información sobre recursos como organizaciones, programas o agencias que puedan proporcionar servicios y apoyos para niños con retrasos o discapacidades del desarrollo y sus familias. Project ASSIST ayuda a informar y educar a las familias, así como al público en general para mejorar los resultados para las familias de Nevada y sus comunidades.

La inclusión de cualquier enlace en estos sitios web no implica aprobación.

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ProjectASSIST/>



RECURSOS INFORMATIVOS—

KATIE BECKETT
PROGRAM

En esta página, puedes encontrar información de ABLE Accounts a Katie Beckett y más.

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ProjectASSIST/Informational-Resources/>

RECURSOS PARA LOS PADRES—

"La necesidad de recursos e información precisos y actualizados al criar a un niño con necesidades especiales es primordial. De hecho, la información es poder. Cuanto más sepa, más puede hacerse cargo y lograr resultados positivos para su hijo y su familia." ~ Red de Padres

Información, Artículos y Videos para educar y apoyar a los padres.

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ProjectASSIST/Fathers/>



COMMUNITY RESOURCES



RECURSOS LOCALES—

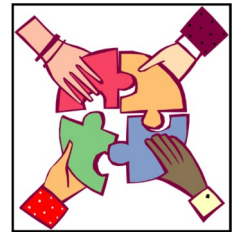
Puede ayudarlo a encontrar agencias, organizaciones y programas locales que puedan proporcionar apoyo u otras referencias y servicios.

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ProjectASSIST/Local-Resources/>

RECURSOS EN TODO EL ESTADO—

Puede ayudarlo a encontrar agencias, organizaciones y programas estatales que puedan proporcionar apoyo u otras referencias y servicios.

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ProjectASSIST/Statewide-Resources/>



RECURSOS NACIONALES—

Puede ayudarlo a encontrar agencias, organizaciones y programas nacionales que puedan proporcionar apoyo u otras referencias y servicios.

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ProjectASSIST/National-Resources/>



"Soy un gran creyente en la intervención temprana" - Temple Grandin

Debido a cambios en las operaciones, póngase en contacto con sus proveedores para conocer los horarios actuales de actividades o eventos.

Información del programa > http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/Early_Intervention_Programs/

Servicios de Intervención Temprana del Noreste de Nevada

* comuníquese con su Especialista de Desarrollo/Coordinador de Servicios para obtener más información.

⇒ **Servicios de Intervención Temprana de Nevada (NEIS) – Elko / Ely / Winnemucca:**

- Elko (775) 753-1214 / Ely (775) 289-1622 / Winnemucca (775) 623-6593

Servicios de Intervención Temprana de Northwestern Nevada

* comuníquese con su Especialista de Desarrollo/Coordinador de Servicios para obtener más información.

⇒ **Servicios de Intervención Temprana de Nevada (NEIS)—Carson City:**

- (775) 687-0101

⇒ **Servicios de Intervención Temprana de Nevada (NEIS)—Reno:**

- (775) 688-1341

⇒ **Terapias Pediátricas Avanzadas (APT)—Reno:**

- (775) 825-4744

⇒ **Capacidad salud y servicios humanos (CHHS)—Reno:**

- (775) 434-0488

⇒ **Grupo de Gestión de Terapia (TMG)—Reno:**

- (877) 360-7045

⇒ **El Continuo (TC)—Reno:**

- (775) 829-4710

TODOS LOS NIÑOS DEBEN SER
UNA PARTE DE LA SOCIEDAD
NO APARTE DE LA SOCIEDAD



Servicios de Intervención Temprana del Sur de Nevada

* comuníquese con su Especialista de Desarrollo/Coordinador de Servicios para obtener más información.

⇒ **Servicios de Intervención Temprana de Nevada (NEIS)—Las Vegas:**

- (702) 486-7670

⇒ **Capacidad salud y servicios humanos (CHHS)—Las Vegas:**

- (702) 870-7050

⇒ **MD Agencia de Desarrollo (MDDA)—Las Vegas:**

- (702) 268-8513

⇒ **Positivamente para los niños (PK)—Las Vegas:**

- (702) 262-0037, ext 4

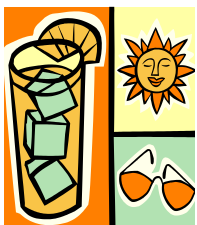
⇒ **Grupo de Gestión de Terapia (TMG)—Las Vegas:**

- (702) 595-5437

"Se está invitando a la diversidad a la fiesta;
se pide a la inclusión que baile". – Verna Meyers

El sitio web del Directorio Central de Nevada, lleno de información y recursos, incluye una página de "Enlaces" con todo tipo de sitios web locales, estatales y nacionales útiles.

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ProjectASSIST>



¿Te gustaría...



- *aprender acerca de las cuestiones importantes que afectan a las familias con niños pequeños con necesidades especiales en su comunidad*
- *ser una voz para esas familias comunicándose con los responsables de la toma de decisiones locales y estatales*
- *apoyar actividades que fortalezcan la asociación familia-comunidad*
- *red con otras personas durante las reuniones programadas*
- *adquirir experiencia y experiencia en el desarrollo de programas y proyectos que beneficien a esas familias*
- *obtener recursos y otros materiales sobre una amplia variedad de preocupaciones que enfrentan las familias de hoy en día*
- *crecer personalmente a través de la capacitación en desarrollo de liderazgo*

Esta es una gran oportunidad!!!

El "**Subcomité de Recursos de Apoyo Familiar**" (FSRS) es un subcomité permanente del Consejo Coordinador Interinstitucional de Intervención Temprana (ICC) de Nevada y está compuesto por padres de niños pequeños con necesidades especiales y otras personas que están interesadas en apoyar la intervención temprana. Hay 4 reuniones de teleconferencia al año.

El Consejo Interinstitucional de Coordinación interinstitucional de intervención temprana (ICC) de Nevada se estableció bajo la ley federal con el propósito de asesorar y ayudar a Nevada y sus Servicios de Intervención Temprana (servir a los niños que nacen hasta las tres) en el manejo de sus responsabilidades bajo la Parte C de la Ley de Educación para Individuos con Discapacidades (IDEA, por sus sus hijos).

Declaración de misión DEL SUBCOMITÉ DE RECURSOS DE APOYO familiar:

El Subcomité de Recursos de Apoyo a la Familia de la ICC de Nevada apoyará las actividades de la ICC y garantizará que la ICC responda a cuestiones importantes para las familias, fortalecerá y ampliará la participación familiar en todos los niveles de políticas y servicios, aumentará la comunicación de la ICC con las familias, proporcionará apoyo de conciencia pública e identificará y apoyará los esfuerzos para mejorar los servicios y programas de intervención temprana dentro de las comunidades.

Los objetivos/metás DEL SUBCOMITÉ DE RECURSOS DE SOPORTE familiar incluyen:

Desarrollo y facilitación de presentaciones de padres a programas de intervención temprana, posible "Capacitación de liderazgo familiar para familias" con representantes de padres de la ICC, miembros del Comité de Recursos de Apoyo Familiar de la ICC, Padres de Recursos del Programa, líderes de padres y padres interesados en todo el estado. Presentarían sus debates y recomendaciones en las reuniones de la ICC.

Ayudar en el desarrollo de ideas para nuevos proyectos de apoyo familiar, que podrían ser pilotados en el estado y siempre que sea posible servir en otros subcomités o grupos de trabajo de la ICC.

Planificar e implementar estrategias para reclutar, capacitar y apoyar a los padres para que ayuden y participen en actividades estatales, y funciones de desarrollo de políticas dentro del estado.

Si usted está interesado o sabe de alguien que podría ser, por favor póngase en contacto con nosotros en

projectassist@dhhs.nv.gov

<http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/ICC/Home/>

Padres... quieren hacer una diferencia en el sistema de intervención temprana de Nevada?!

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Estamos buscando padres para representar a las familias de Nevada en el Consejo Coordinador Interinstitucional de Intervención Temprana de Nevada (ICC). En concreto, buscamos un padre que tenga experiencia en los servicios de intervención temprana de nuestro Estado.

¿Qué es la ICC?

El propósito de la ICC es asesorar y ayudar a Nevada y al sistema de Intervención Temprana en el desarrollo, implementación y promoción de un programa de servicios de intervención temprana centrados en la familia para todos los bebés elegibles, niños pequeños y sus familias. El Gobernador nombra a todos los miembros de la ICC para un período de tres años.

¿Por qué es importante que padres como yo sirvan?

Sabes lo que se siente tener un hijo con una discapacidad. Usted sabe lo que se siente tener profesionales de intervención temprana en su hogar, trabajando con usted y su hijo. Probablemente tienes opiniones sobre lo que funcionó bien y lo que podría haber funcionado mejor. Su perspectiva es muy importante. A medida que la ICC trabaja con el Estado para hacer cambios en el programa, el aporte familiar es una parte integral del proceso.

¿Qué se me pediría que hiciera?

- Asistir a las 4 juntas generales del Consejo Coordinador Interinstitucional (ICC), cada año.
- Responder a las comunicaciones por correo electrónico con respecto a la ICC
- Aporte información y su perspectiva única con respecto a los problemas que afectan a los programas de intervención temprana de Nevada

¿Me reembolsarían por asistir?

Todos los miembros de los padres pueden recibir un estipendio de cuidado infantil por asistir a cada una de las 4 reuniones de la ICC, así como compensación y/o reembolso de gastos para otras reuniones.

¿Soy elegible para presentar una solicitud?

Usted debe ser padre/tutor de un niño que haya recibido servicios de intervención temprana, ahora o en el pasado reciente, con preferencia a los padres de niños actualmente en Servicios de Intervención Temprana.

Si está interesado, póngase en contacto con su coordinador de servicio o con la oficina de IDEA Parte C de Nevada.

Email: ProjectAssist@dhhs.nv.gov

