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**Cancellation:**

As a courtesy to the conference planner,  
please notify us by April 13th if your plans  
change and you are unable to  
attend.

Child Health Specialty Clinics and the Iowa Department of Human Services do not discriminate in their educational programs and activities on the basis of race, color, creed, sex, age, national origin, or handicap.

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**Family to Family Iowa  
Family Governance Council**

- \*The Arc of Iowa
- \*Aging and Disability Resource Centers
- \*ASK Family Resource Center
- \*Autism Society of Iowa
- \*Brain Injury Association of Iowa
- \*CHADD of Iowa
- \*Center for Disabilities and Development
- \*Child Health Specialty Clinics
- \*ChildServe
- \*Community Circle of Care
- \*Early ACCESS
- \*Epilepsy Foundation North/Central Illinois  
Iowa & Nebraska
- \*Family Voices of Iowa
- \*Hands & Voices -Guide By Your Side
- \*Hawkeye Area Down Syndrome Association
- \*Health Literacy Iowa
- \*Iowa Statewide System of Vision Services
- \*Iowa COMPASS
- \*Iowa Department of Education (Parent -  
Educator Connection
- \*Iowa Department of Human Services
- \*Iowa Department of Public Health
- \*Iowa Developmental Disabilities Council
- \*Iowa Federation of Families for Children's  
Mental Health
- \*Iowa Foster and Adoptive Parents  
Association
- \*Lutheran Services of Iowa
- \*Magellan Behavioral Care of Iowa
- \*National Association of Parents of Children  
With Visual Impairments-Iowa (NAPVI)
- \*National Alliance on Mental Illness-Iowa
- \*Prader-Willi Society of America, Iowa  
Chapter
- \*Visiting Nurse Service Iowa, Peer Support

**We Welcome New Partners**



**Family to Family  
IOWA**

*The network of supports and services  
for Iowans with special needs*

**2012  
Spring Conference**

***“Walking With Families-  
Encouraging Resiliency in  
Challenging Times”***

Sunday Evening, April 22<sup>nd</sup>

Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>

**Location:**

**Ramada Tropics Conference Center  
5000 Merle Hay Road  
Des Moines, Iowa 50322  
515-278-0271**

**Conference sponsor:**

**Family to Family Iowa**

is a combination of two federal funding sources to develop a cohesive, coordinated, culturally competent statewide network of navigators and mentors providing comprehensive assistance to families of children and youth with special health care needs and/or developmental disabilities.

## Conference Purpose

This conference is for parents of children and youth with special needs and the professionals who serve them. It is an opportunity to explore concepts and issues families face in caring for children with developmental disabilities, chronic illnesses and other special health care needs and to build relationships among families, Family Navigators, service and health care providers, community organizations and state agencies

## Outcome

This conference will provide knowledge and skills to parents, Family Navigators, and family support network partners to assure high quality resources, information, and services are available to support families in their communities.

## Who Should Attend?

- Family Navigators
- Potential Family Navigators
- Parents/caregivers of children with special health care needs and/or developmental disabilities
- Family to Family Iowa Governance Council members (F2F GC)
- Potential new F2F GC partners
- Health care professionals and others who work with children or youth with special health care needs and/or developmental disabilities.

[Stipend and special compensation available for eligible participants as long as funding is available.](#) Please

complete the attached application.

## Conference Schedule at Glance

### Sunday, April 22nd

6:30 p.m. (Registration)

7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. (Program Session)

### Dream Big Dreams

**Kathie Snow, Author of *Disability Is Natural***

Networking Social to Follow

### Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>

8:00-9:00 a.m. (Registration)

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Program Sessions)

9:00-11:30 a.m. Workshop

### Disability is Natural and Other Revolutionary Common Sense

**Kathie Snow, Author of *Disability Is Natural***

11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. Networking Lunch  
(provided)

12:30-2:00 p.m. (Program Session)

### High Expectations

ASK Family Resource Center

2:15 -3:15 p.m. (Program Session)

### Bullying 101

Candy Lynch and Paul Hayes

3:15-4:00 p.m. (Program Session)

### The Seven L's of Loving Life

Judith A. Warth

4:15-4:45 p.m. (Program Session)

### Bullying and Disabilities

Community! Youth Concepts  
Amelia C. Reedy & Youth Presenters

## REGISTRATION FORM

*Family to Family Iowa 2012 Spring Conference*

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

(Phone and e-mail required for confirmation)

Please check all that apply:

- Attending Sunday, April 22nd
- Attending Networking Social, April 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Attending Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Attending Networking Lunch, April 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Any special dietary needs?

## Registration Fees:

There is no registration fee for this event.

*However, seating is limited, so register early!*

## Hotel Information

Ramada Tropics Resort and Conference  
Center

5000 Merle Hay Road

Des Moines, Iowa 50322

Phone: 515-278-0271

<http://www.ramadatropicsresort.com>

Be sure to **reserve your room by Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup>** under the **Family to Family Iowa block group rate** of \$50 (plus tax).