



SHARE YOUR VOICE!

Family Advisor Program

Family TIES of Massachusetts invites you to share your voice and become a parent leader! Parents of children with special needs advocate daily for their children's educational, medical, and social needs. Would you like to share your knowledge and experience with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health? The information you share may help guide or develop programs and policies that serve families of children and youth with special health needs. Take the next step in engagement, become a Family Advisor and *Share Your Voice!* Training is available.

Questions? Call Family TIES – 800-905-TIES (8437)

Examples of Family Advisor activities include:

- ◆ Attend focus groups
- ◆ Participate in phone or written surveys
- ◆ Serve on an advisory board
- ◆ Review educational materials or grants
- ◆ Participate on a committee
- ◆ Help develop or deliver presentations

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Street: _____ E-mail: _____

City/Town/Zip code _____ Best time to contact: _____

Child's Age: _____

My primary and secondary languages are: _____

My personal areas of interest and expertise are:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Access to Medical Care | <input type="checkbox"/> Program Development / Grant Reviews |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Competency/Diversity | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Policy Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Respite / Family Supports |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Estate/Financial Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Genetic Testing and Genetics Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Transition |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health Insurance – Public and Private Policies | <input type="checkbox"/> Independent Living & Healthcare Self-Management Skills |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Informed Consent for Medical Treatment | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Parent Education/Training Opportunities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Home Partnerships | <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Trainings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nutrition for Children with Special Needs | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Issues – Please specify |

I give permission for Family TIES of Massachusetts and The Office of Family Initiatives at the Department of Public Health to contact me regarding parent Advisor Opportunities.

Signature _____ Date _____

Submit Form or Mail Completed Form To:

MA Department of Public Health Marlborough Office

Attention: Family TIES P2P Coordinator, 67 Forest Street - Suite 100, Marlborough, MA 01752



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