



FAMILY NAVIGATION:
Cultural Considerations When Working With
Families Who Have Children With Disabilities

LIVE WEBINAR WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 2024

Check in: 8:50 am
Program: 9:00 am – 12:15 pm

Description

The educational activity will provide an overview on the state of family navigation and peer navigation supports in NC and first-hand accounts of what it means to families. The new, FREE online NC Family Navigation Guide (ncfamilynavigation.org) will be showcased with practical strategies for its use. The guide was developed by the North Carolina Navigating Care Project, with the support of HRSA grant #H6MMC33235. The North Carolina Family Navigation Guide supports health care professionals in working with families to find appropriate resources and services for the child and family.

Cultural considerations for working with families who represent diverse cultures will be a theme across all presentations, which will culminate with a panel of representatives across a range of cultural groups sharing their perspectives on common cultural barriers and suggestions for working with diverse families.

The educational activity will not be recorded. Due to the participatory nature of the program, a computer, laptop or tablet with audio and video capabilities is strongly encouraged.

Target Audience

Early Intervention Specialists, Speech Language Pathologists, Speech Language Pathology Assistants, Occupational Therapist, Occupational Therapy Assistants, Social Workers, Family Navigators, Service Coordinators, Children's Developmental Services Agency (CDSA) staff, those who work in Home Health and those who work with families of children with disabilities ages birth to eight. Family members are welcome to attend.

8:50 am	Check In
9:00 am	Welcome, Introductions, and Overview of the Agenda Toni Chatman, MHA Julie Williams-Swiggett, MEd
9:15 am	Building Bridges to Advanced Care: The Role of Family and Peer Navigation for I/DD Individuals and Medicaid Cindy Ehlers, MS, LCMHC Kelly Friedlander, MSW, MPA
10:15 am	Overview of North Carolina Navigating Care (NCNC) Family Navigation Guide Elizabeth Crais, PhD, CCC-SLP, Rebecca Edmondson Pretzel, PhD Julie Williams-Swiggett, MEd Laurel Powell, MS Barbara Leach Kim Tizzard Felicia Williams Brown, CHW
11:00 am	Break
11:15 am	Panel: Cultural Perspectives in Navigating Care with Families Panelists: Shagun Gaur, Felicia Williams Brown, Rhonda Dial and Mariela Maldonado Moderator: Barbara Leach
12:00 pm	Questions & Answer Wrap Up
12:15 pm	Adjourn

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Learning Objectives

At the conclusion of this educational activity, the participant should be able to:

- Discuss the significance of family navigation support, its impact on children and families, and current models utilizing family navigation services.
- Identify which of three "gating questions" in the NC Family Navigation Guide should be used with a particular family and discuss how the guide might be useful in their own work.
- Share strategies for enhancing cultural perspectives and engagement among diverse community-based providers and participants.

Speakers

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Credit

Speech Language Pathologists: Wake AHEC will issue Certificates of Completion only; the participant must self-track and record the certificate for ASHA Certification documentation.

Occupational Therapist/Assistant: As of July 1, 2018, the NCBOT no longer accepts applications for pre-approval of CCAs. OT practitioners need to make sure they are completing activities that comply with Section .0800 of the NCBOT Rules. 8.0 CCAs. Please select contact hours for your certificate.

Wake AHEC CEU(s) Wake AHEC will provide 0.3 CEU to participants upon completion of this activity.

A participant must attend 100% of the program to receive credit. Partial credit will not be awarded.

Contact Hours

Wake AHEC will provide up to 3.0 Contact Hours to participants.

Registration

- No registration fee due to support from North Carolina Navigating Care.
- Registration will include online handouts and certificate of completion.
- Wake AHEC and North Carolina Navigate Care are working to provide the webinar simultaneously in Spanish. Please indicate when you register online if you will need this service.
- Visit www.wakeahec.org for our ADA Statement and Inclement Weather Policy.

Cancellations

Space is limited. If you cannot attend, we ask that you notify us as soon as possible to cancel or provide a substitute.

