

## Resources and Information

### *Family Professional Collaboration and Family Centered Care*



**Florida Institute for Family Involvement – [www.fifionline.org](http://www.fifionline.org)**

The Florida Institute for Family Involvement (FIFI) is an organization dedicated to creating solutions, strengthening partnerships, enhancing community collaboration and building an information base for children and youth with special needs and their families.



**Family Voices - <http://www.familyvoices.org/>**

Family Voices, a national grassroots network of families and friends, advocates for health care services that are family-centered, community-based, comprehensive, coordinated and culturally competent for all children and youth with special health care needs; promotes the inclusion of all families as decision makers at all levels of health care; and supports essential partnerships between families and professionals.



**The National Center of Medical Home Initiatives for Children with Special Needs**

**Medical Home Project-AAP- <http://www.medicalhomeinfo.org/>**

The mission of the National Center is to work in cooperation with federal agencies, particularly the Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB), to ensure that children with special needs have access to a medical home. The National Center provides support to physicians, families, and other medical and non-medical providers who care for children and youth with special needs.



**Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health - <http://www.ffcmh.org/>**

The FFCMH, a national family-run organization serves to provide advocacy at the national level for the rights of children and youth with emotional, behavioral and mental health challenges and their families, leadership and technical assistance to a nation-wide network of family run organizations, and collaborate with family run and other child serving organizations to transform mental health care in America.



**Healthy Ready to Work - <http://www.hrtw.org/>**

HRTW provides information and connections to health and transition expertise nationwide and focuses on **understanding systems, access to quality health care, and increasing the involvement of youth**. It also includes **provider preparation plus tools and resources** needed to make more informed choices!

**Health Care Transition Initiative - <http://hctransitions.ichp.ufl.edu>**



The mission of the Health Care Transition Initiative at the University of Florida is to increase awareness of, gain knowledge about, and promote cooperative efforts to improve the process transitioning from child-centered (pediatric) to adult oriented health care.

