



A Grassroots Network of Families and Friends Speaking on Behalf of Children with Special Health Care Needs

### **Advisory Roles Parents Can Play**

- Member of Task Force
- Advisory Board Member
- Program Evaluator
- Co-trainer for In-services
- Paid Program Staff
- Paid Program Consultant
- Mentor for Other Families
- Grant Reviewer
- Reviewer of Materials
- Advocate
- Fund Raiser
- Participant in Focus Groups
- Provider of Input for Quality Improvement
- Provider of Input for Hiring of New Staff
- Group Facilitator
- Provider of Testimony at Hearings

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