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Mobilizing Families

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Does your child have special needs? **We can help!**

When your child is identified as having special needs, parents often feel like they are entering a new world without the basic tools and information to ensure their child's well-being. There is so much to learn that families often feel overwhelmed and struggle to get what they need for their child. Mobilizing Families is an award-winning, 6-week training program designed to equip families with the necessary resources to access support and be the best advocates for their children.

"Mobilizing Families gave us great direction and information to help our kids have a successful future." DANI, 2010 GRADUATE

Thanks to the generosity of the McDonnell Family Foundation, *Mobilizing Families* is offered **FREE of charge**, including training materials, dinner and childcare. ***What are you waiting for?***

Classes will be held on six consecutive Thursday evenings from 6-8:30 PM on the following dates: February 11, 18 & 25, March 3, 10 & 17. *This is a six-part series and registrants should plan to attend all sessions.*

To register or for more information, please call Valerie Smith at (303) 232-1338 or email valerie@arcjc.org.

SESSION TOPICS INCLUDE:

- **A New Journey:** Begin your journey of raising a child with special needs by gaining essential tools and information, and by sharing experiences with other parents.
- **Accessing Insurance & Health Care:** Struggling with medical needs and therapies? Learn how private insurance works and how to navigate the fine print.
- **Understanding Medicaid Benefits:** Experience an in-depth review of the Medicaid program and how it is administered in Colorado.
- **Educational Overview and Your Child's IEP:** Learn what to expect during your child's school years, including educational law and a discussion of meeting procedures.
- **Accessing Community Resources:** Meet local agencies that support people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.
- **What Lies Ahead:** Gain valuable tips for your journey ahead from a panel of parents who will share their experiences and advice.