



Our Mission

Open Doors for Multicultural Families is a nonprofit, charitable organization dedicated to ensuring that families who have family members with developmental disabilities and special health care needs have equal access to culturally and linguistically appropriate information, resources and services.

We promote culturally competent services through community collaboration, training and partnerships.

We are passionate parents who have children with developmental disabilities, professionals who care about people with disabilities and valued community volunteers.

We founded this Organization in June 2009, after more than a decade's collaboration on projects specifically designed for serving and supporting multicultural families with family members with developmental disabilities and special health care needs.

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Our staff, board members and volunteers are fluent in various languages. Currently, family support services are available in English, Spanish and the following languages:

African: Amharic, Oromo, Tigrinya, Somali

Asian: Cambodian, Chinese (Cantonese, Mandarin and Taiwanese), Korean, Japanese, Laotian, Vietnamese, Hindi, Tamil

European: French, German, Italian,

Eurasian: Russian, Ukrainian

Middle Eastern: Arabic

Need more information?

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Open Doors for Multicultural Families is dedicated to the needs of diverse families who have loved ones with developmental disabilities and special health care needs.



Our services are driven by diverse families' needs.

We strive to provide culturally competent services based on our values and belief, including:

- Family centered support that respect family's culture and language
- People with intellectual disabilities are valuable, positive contributors of our society
- Equal access opportunities, equity and social justice
- Inclusive and collaborative community for people with disability
- Reciprocal relationship in family professional partnership and collaboration
- Family helping family; parent mentoring parent

Family Services

- Individualized Family Support: home visits, language and cultural assistance, etc.
- Advocacy and Policy Making Training and Involvement
- Parent Mentors and Helping Parents
- Parent Leadership and Involvement Development
- Parent Information and Education Support Group
- Senior Parents Support
- Multicultural Family Gatherings
- Inclusive Respite and Recreation Opportunities
- IDEA/IEP/IFSP Training and Special Education Support
- Information, Referral, and Resources

Cultural Competence Training

- Understand Cultural Diversity and Disabilities
- Effective Diverse Family/Professional Partnership
- Culturally and linguistically responsive practices and service delivery
- Working effectively with and supporting direct service staff from diverse backgrounds
- Multicultural Early Childhood Team Training
- Family Support, Self-Determination and Disability Training
- Cultural Broker Training for bilingual/ bicultural direct service staff
- Diverse Parent Mentor Training

Community Partnership and Collaboration

- Disability awareness presentation and outreach to diverse communities
- Professional phone consultation and site visits
- Joint partnerships for grant applications
- Facilitating parent focus groups for research purposes
- Formation of family member and community liaison panel for reviewing translated materials
- Interagency collaborative services for specific ethnic community
- Cultural Brokers' Network
- Information and Referral

