

Wisconsin: M-Team (Multifaceted, Multidisciplinary, Milwaukee-Madison)

What's **one interesting thing** about your state?

- Have had money for relatively comprehensive ASD treatment for years
- More focus on supporting families in community/inclusion
- Focus on all DD, not ASD in a silo
- Many family navigation supports
→ navigate the navigator

Describe your team's **biggest challenge** around Family Navigation.

- In the middle of a lot of transition in system
- Because we have a lot, it is difficult to navigate, complex-need pathways
- Some families (urban, rural, low SES, etc.) have trouble accessing/navigating what is available
- Diagnostic bottlenecks

Describe **ONE current strategy** that your team is using around Family Navigation.

- Starting urban Family Navigation with a family member who is within the community



What is your team's **biggest strength** around Family Navigation?

- Commitment to evidence based (draw on current evidence, produce new evidence)
- Commitment to not duplicating (build on what exists and what is working)

What does your team **hope to gain** from this meeting?

- What does successful family navigation look like for urban core and rural?

Fearless Evergreens

What's **one interesting thing** about your state?

- We have the only rainforest
- First state in the nation to clarify mental health parity for autism
- IDEA PL 294-142 was based on Washington state law

Describe your team's **biggest challenge** around Family Navigation.

- Diversity of our state
- Large SILOS in state agencies
- Unexplored public funding opportunities and reimbursement for family navigation

Describe **ONE current strategy** that your team is using around Family Navigation.

- Family-centered



What is your team's **biggest strength** around Family Navigation?

- Diversity of expertise
- State based community of learners (AS3D)

What does your team **hope to gain** from this meeting?

- Collaborate and commiserate with each other and others at this meeting!

Beacon of Hope (W.G.A.S.) Rhode Island

What's **one interesting thing** about your state?

- We are 4 season, all-terrain state
- Beach → farm → forest → sidewalk

Describe your team's **biggest challenge** around Family Navigation.

- Valued ≠ funding

Describe **ONE current strategy** that your team is using around Family Navigation.

- Leveraging community partnerships in a new way (teaching them to speak

What is your team's **biggest strength** around Family Navigation?

- Training

What does your team **hope to gain** from this meeting?

- More ideas for sustainability



Ohio's Fun Trailblazers

What's **one interesting thing** about your state?

- Nerdiest state
 - Most visits per capita to libraries
 - 137 colleges/universities
- Only non-rectangular flag in nation

Describe **ONE current strategy** that your team is using around **Family Navigation.**

- Life course as organizing framework
- ASD in action as immediate tool/resource

What is your team's **biggest strength** around **Family Navigation?**

- Momentum
- Collaboration
- "trail-blazing"

Describe your team's **biggest challenge** around **Family Navigation.**

- Statewideness, consistency, disparity → 88 counties/home rule; 750+ public school districts



What does your team **hope to gain** from this meeting?

- Unified/consistent/clear definitions
- Connecting, strengthening, capitalizing on all the efforts/services supporting families across systems
- Mapping Navigators

Tracking Tarheels

What's **one interesting thing** about your state?

- Geographically diverse but medically underserved (70+/100 counties)
- One of largest ASD prevalence rates (1/59)

Describe **ONE current strategy** that your team is using around **Family Navigation.**

- Mapping state systems of FN (landscape of services)

What is your team's **biggest strength** around **Family Navigation?**

- A few good models of FN in state

Describe your team's **biggest challenge** around **Family Navigation.**

- Funding!
- Huge range of FN services from good → none



What does your team **hope to gain** from this meeting?

- Funding ideas
- Model programs/resources
- Identify well-developed FN guides & materials

Partnering for Families in New Hampshire

What's **one interesting thing** about your state?

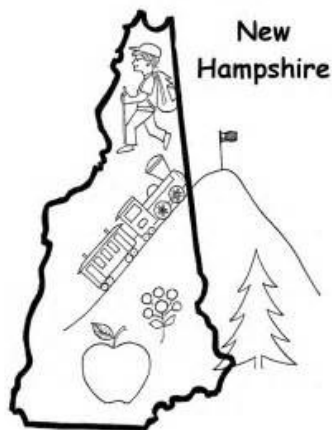
- Small but condensed-83% live in the 6 southern counties; 17% live in Northern country, but cover 53% geographically
- We know each other
- Strong sense of community
- Big on local control: 400+ state reps & 26 senators (all volunteers)
- 3rd largest legislative body in world (behind US congress and English parliament)
- State motto: Live Free or Die

Describe your team's **biggest challenge** around Family Navigation.

- Funding
- We have pockets of cultural diversity
- We have a need for culturally diverse leaders to help us engage with these families

Describe **ONE current strategy** that your team is using around Family Navigation.

- Project Linking Actions for Unmet Need in Children's Health (LAUNCH) has utilized community health workers to engage culturally diverse families
- We have a fully developed family navigation curriculum and competencies (still being implemented)
- Established partnerships and people ready to go



What is your team's **biggest strength** around Family Navigation?

- Strong partnerships: MCH, UCEDD, NH FV, etc.
- Lots of collaboration: BH, NAMI, Office of Health Equity, Medicaid, NH Pediatric Improvement Project
- Have a Needs Assessment state plan and state plan work book (using planning grant)
- Completed with lots of stakeholder input and participation

What does your team **hope to gain** from this meeting?

- Strategies for what other states are doing
- Funding opportunities/strategies (list of codes being used)
- How other states engage/hire family navigators

Maryland Crabby Travelers

What's **one interesting thing** about your state?

- Blue crabs cooked with Old Bay seasoning!

Describe **ONE current strategy** that your team is using around **Family Navigation.**

- Placing Peer Navigators in Pediatric primary and specialty care practices to assist families of CYSHCN.

What is your team's **biggest strength** around **Family Navigation?**

- Highly training Peer Navigators, graduates of our Leadership Program + parent partner training

Describe your team's **biggest challenge** around **Family Navigation.**

- Sustainable funding - MA not paying on CC codes and Community Health Worker certification is still in planning phase in MD. Originally funded through HRSA, now through state Title V CYSHCN. Half of providers from HRSA funded initiative permanently hired their Parent Partners!



What does your team **hope to gain** from this meeting?

- Funding and training ideas and camaraderie!

Iowa: Where tall corn and strong families grow

What's **one interesting thing** about your state?

- Largely rural/medically underserved
- Access to specialists is a barrier
- Telehealth infrastructure established across 14 regional centers
- Non-categorized state

Describe **ONE current strategy** that your team is using around **Family Navigation.**

- Developed new FN consult through EMR
- FPSS (family peer support specialist) training program

What is your team's **biggest strength** around **Family Navigation?**

- Julie Beckett
- Families represent at all levels
- FN statewide network (35+)
- Continuing education
- Work in community child health team
- Replicating FN model with Iowa's largest children's hospital

Describe your team's **biggest challenge** around **Family Navigation.**

- Scope of practice/boundaries
- Sustainability/reimbursement
- Funding (not enough FTEs)



What does your team **hope to gain** from this meeting?

- Funding and sustainability strategies
- Physician relationships (Medical Home strategies)

Rhode Island Wannabe's

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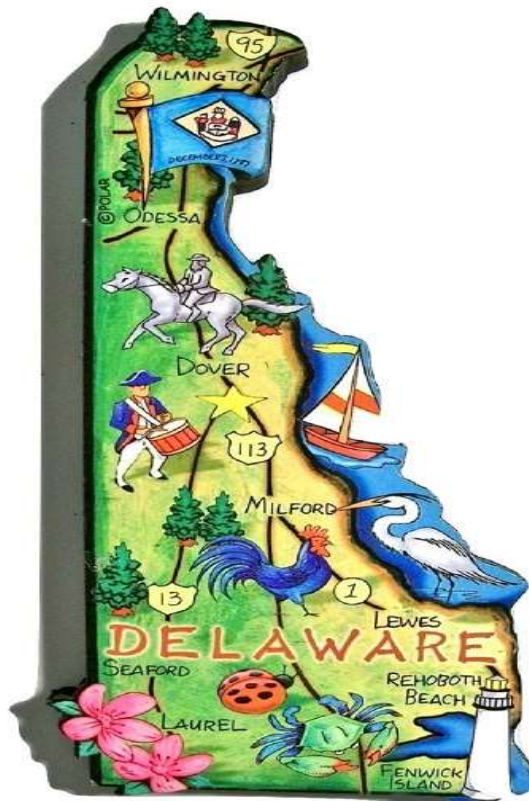
- NASCAR's Autism Awareness Day is held in Dover, DE

Describe your team's **biggest challenge** around Family Navigation.

- Lack of funding and time → transitioning programs towards more sustainable models
- Confusion around terminology, overuse of 'family navigation' term

Describe **ONE current strategy** that your team is using around Family Navigation.

- Translating family needs for systems advocacy



What is your team's **biggest strength** around Family Navigation?

- Longstanding, well-known program in the state

What does your team **hope to gain** from this meeting?

- Brainstorming about sustainable techniques & options