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May 29, 2019

The Honorable Nanette Barragán
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Dear Representative Barragán:

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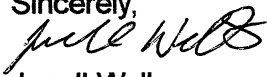
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The Honorable Debbie Dingell
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Michigan FAMILY VOICES

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Dear Representative Dingell,

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F2Fs support families helping families of children with complex needs to obtain and find assistance, information, and education to care for their children. Despite their modest budgets, F2Fs served nearly one million families in 2018.

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Because of our state's and your districts need; we ask that you consider supporting or even co-sponsoring the Family-to-Family Reauthorization Act of 2019 (H.R. 2822), bill with Representatives Upton and Representative Sherrill.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us at (313) 408-3867,

Thank you,


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The Honorable Fred Upton
United States House of Representatives
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The Honorable Susan Brooks
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We are housed at the Federation for Children with Special Needs (FCSN) in Charlestown, MA but we serve families in the entire state. Our federal grant is \$96,750.00 per year.

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Recently the MFV/F2F helped a single Hispanic mom from Newton resolve an issue caused by communication barriers. Mom's current Mass Health program was ending and she was having great

difficulty finding a new Mass Health plan that would address all of her child's behavioral health needs. This change in Mass Health status would potentially cause a disruption of services for her young child. Because of the language barriers, mom was unable to communicate her problem to the Mass Health or Health plan customer service. Through MA/F2F relationship with the plan provider, we were able to connect mom with our professional partner to resolve the issues for this child.

The Massachusetts F2F continues to collaborate with the outreach specialists at the Federation for Children with Special Needs to bring essential information to communities in which language and culture are barriers. After attending an F2F training and calling for one-to-one assistance, a mother from the Chinese community emailed "Mass health premium is available to us as of today. I want to thank you for helping our family".

Mass family Voices /F2F often helps families navigate the complicated Mass Health Common Health application system. One parent emailed, "I really cannot thank you enough for your wealth of knowledge. I mean it when I say our short conversation was more beneficial than any other avenue I have taken this far to understand mass health."

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MA Family Voices/F2F provides trainings on health care financing, health care transition, care coordination, and family leadership. The MA F2F has a conference annually for about 100 families. In addition the MA Family Voices/F2F is part of the annual FCSN Vision of Communities Conference. Over 1000 families attend this one day conference in March. The Conference presents a full day program in English, Chinese, Vietnamese, Arabic, Haitian-Creole, Spanish and Portuguese. Free buses help families from around the state attend the conference including families in Southern Massachusetts.

The Mass Family Voices/ F2fF collaborates with many professional partners and state agencies throughout Massachusetts. The includes Department of Public Health, Department of Mental Health, Health Care for All, ARC, Mass League, Boston Children's Hospital, Mass General Hospital, Fetal Alcohol Syndrome , Children's Health Access Coalition, Medicaid Advocates Committee, New England Regional Genetics Network, MA Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, Community Catalyst and many community health centers.

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