

FFCMH Principles for Family Involvement

Families define themselves and their own culture

Families require culturally competent services and supports reflecting their race, ethnicity, gender orientation, language, socio-economic background, and family structure

Families have their basic needs met

Families have access to information and training

Family identified priorities and concerns drive policy and practice

Families share power to make decisions and responsibility for outcomes

Families & their system partners know their individual strengths, limitations and fears

Families have their own independent organization to speak with a collective voice for system change

Families and their organizations get both respect and protection from their system partners