

Strategies that Facilitate Family Partnerships

Addressing Procedural Barriers

- Include strategies that ensure family choice and voice in all aspects of the program
- Create data systems that collect and analyze information about experiences and outcomes for families from historically underserved and marginalized communities
- Include family perspectives and experiences in continuous improvement practices, including families from historically underserved and marginalized communities
- Intentionally use staff recruitment and retention practices to diversify the workforce
- Grow partnerships into career pipelines for families

Addressing Relational Barriers

- Recognize and respect families' abilities and strengths
- Support family decision-making
- Consider how practitioner beliefs and attitudes impact culturally responsive relationships and practices
- Foster collaborative problem solving and product development from the start
- Provide joint professional development opportunities with families
- Make relationships a priority