



Community Asset Mapping Project

Improving systems of care for children with special healthcare needs and their families

We need you!

Your participation is key to developing a coordinated community approach to screening, assessment and treatment for children with suspected developmental delays.

You are invited to our first meeting to be held on

date

location

time

To participate in this project, please RSVP to **please fill in name and contact**

of Washington's Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities and Related Disorders (LEND) Program.

Together we will evaluate our community's current method of screening, assessment, and referral to services and resources for children with suspected developmental delays, including autism.

Project goal

Develop a coordinated community approach to ensure children with suspected developmental delays, including autism, get appropriate resources and services in an efficient and timely manner.

What we will do

DOH and LEND will lead a half day meeting with families, support organizations, and education, behavior, and medical professionals to:

1. Define our community's current process of screening, assessment and referral to services and resources.
2. Determine what works well and what could be improved.
3. Establish a community task force to carry out a plan to:
 - a. Address issues with the current process.
 - b. Identify trainings or technical support that will increase knowledge and skills to improve our process.
 - c. Revisit, evaluate, and revise our plan.

Desired outcome

- Community understands the importance of all children getting early screening for developmental delays.
- More people can do early screenings.
- More people can refer for early intervention services.
- Community knows best place to send families for diagnosis.
- Families and service providers know where to go for resources and services.