



FAMILY VOICES OF WISCONSIN (FVW)

FVW serves as the federally recognized **Family-to-Family Health Information Center (F2Fs)** in Wisconsin, funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) since 2009.

FVW supports families whose **children or youth have special health care needs and/or disabilities (CYSHCN)** navigate health care, community supports and services, by providing online and in-person learning sessions, information, and education. We also assist providers, state and federal agencies, legislators and other stakeholders to better serve CYSHCN and their families through an understanding of their needs.

FAMILIES HELPING FAMILIES

As a family-run organization, we support families to become advisors and leaders, we promote family-centered care, and encourage family/professional partnerships.

WISCONSIN FAMILIES NEED SUPPORT

Families provide direct care, care coordination, system navigation, and advocacy for their children. Nationally, families with CYSHCN provide **1.5 billion hours of care** for 5.6 million children.

OUR IMPACT IN 2023

Timely Information

4,594 subscribers get updates on healthcare, financing and community supports.

Website

Our reimagined website, familyvoiceswi.org, had **52,431** pageviews.

Social Media

3,045 families and professionals followed our posts for community information.

Fact Sheets

60 fact sheets were available in English and Spanish for families and providers to navigate complex systems.

Educational Events

304 families and **144** professionals participated in **41** learning sessions.

Listening Sessions

218 families shared experiences with state agency representatives that support children with disabilities.

Newsletters

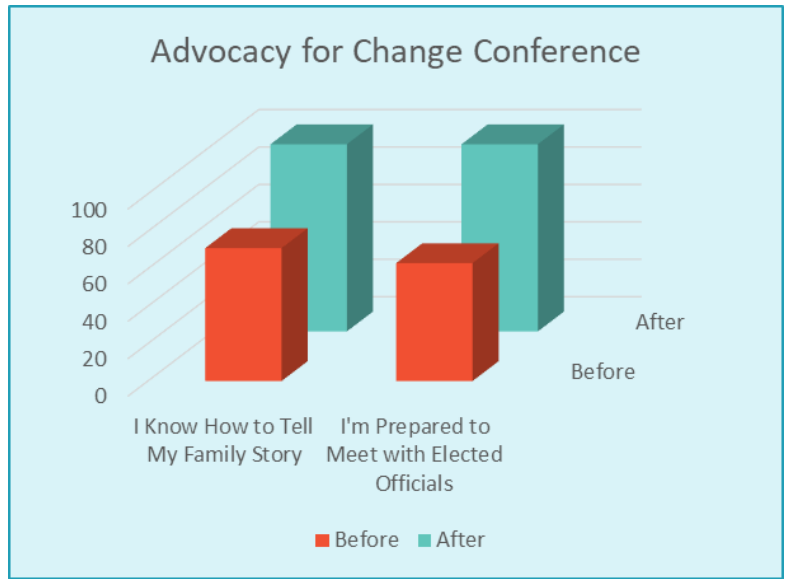
3,583 families and **1,011** organizations received our quarterly newsletter.

WHAT FAMILIES SAY

“I would not have had the confidence in serving in my new role without WiFLI training”

“We so appreciate all the work you and Family Voices are doing to support families.”

“I am committed to learning more, doing my homework and if possible, becoming a Parent Leader one day. ”



WHAT OUR PARTNERS SAY

“I thought it was a great meeting, incredibly helpful for us to hear from her and how the funding for special education impacts her son and his school. We work a lot with the numbers, the data and logistics of school funding...but seeing the personal impact it has is so helpful...good to get a different perspective.”

- State Assembly Representative

“I wanted to tell you how much I deeply value your engagement. Your voice has stood out nationally, even among other family advisors, and it has been clear to me how valued and respected you are. I look forward to our continued work together to ensure the thriving and flourishing of all children and their families.”

- President, Wisconsin Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics

“The Family Voices winter newsletter is fantastic! Thank you for all the partnership on the materials, videos and this newsletter. I look forward to more collaboration. Thanks again!”

- Wisconsin Department of Health Services

CYSHCN in WI*

Parents are more likely to experience fair or poor overall health than parents of children without special health care needs (SHCN).

20.7% of WI children have SHCN

14% of families must cut back or stop working due to their children’s health

26.3% had problems paying their child’s health care bills

*National Survey of Children’s Health, U.S. Census, 2022.



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Each family has a voice. Together, our voices will be heard.

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