

# FAMILY INVOLVEMENT IN PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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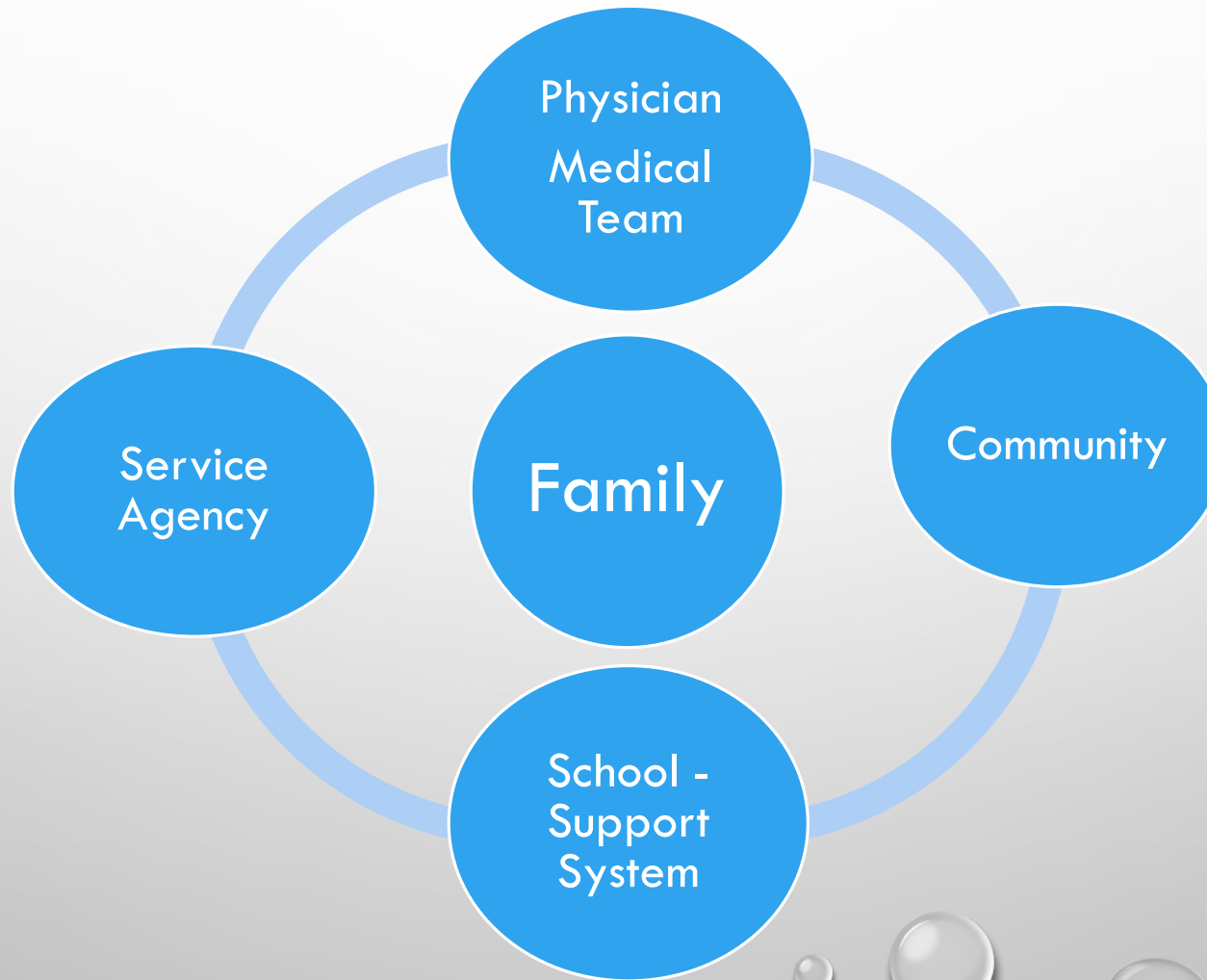
# FAMILY-CENTERED CARE IS A PHILOSOPHY OF CARE

- (DEVELOPED BY THE FORMER SURGEON GENERAL, C. EVERETT KOOP, M. D., SC. D) THAT ENCOMPASSES FAMILY-CENTERED, COMMUNITY-BASED, COORDINATED SERVICES FOR A CHILD WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS AND HIS OR HER FAMILY. A MAJOR PREMISE OF THIS APPROACH IS THAT THE CHILD IS PART OF A FAMILY, AND THAT THE FAMILY HAS GREAT IMPACT ON THE DEVELOPMENT AND WELL-BEING OF THE CHILD. A FAMILY-CENTERED APPROACH TO PROVIDING SERVICES TO A CHILD AND HIS OR HER FAMILY REQUIRES A RELATIONSHIP BASED ON MUTUAL TRUST AND RESPECT TO BE ESTABLISHED AND MAINTAINED BETWEEN PROFESSIONALS AND THE FAMILY. THERE ARE NINE PRINCIPLES OF FAMILY-CENTERED CARE WITH THE UNDERLYING PREMISE BEING TO DEVELOP A SYSTEM THAT 1) ASSISTS IN THE DELIVERY OF SERVICES TO CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS AND 2) SUPPORTS THE NEEDS OF THE FAMILY.

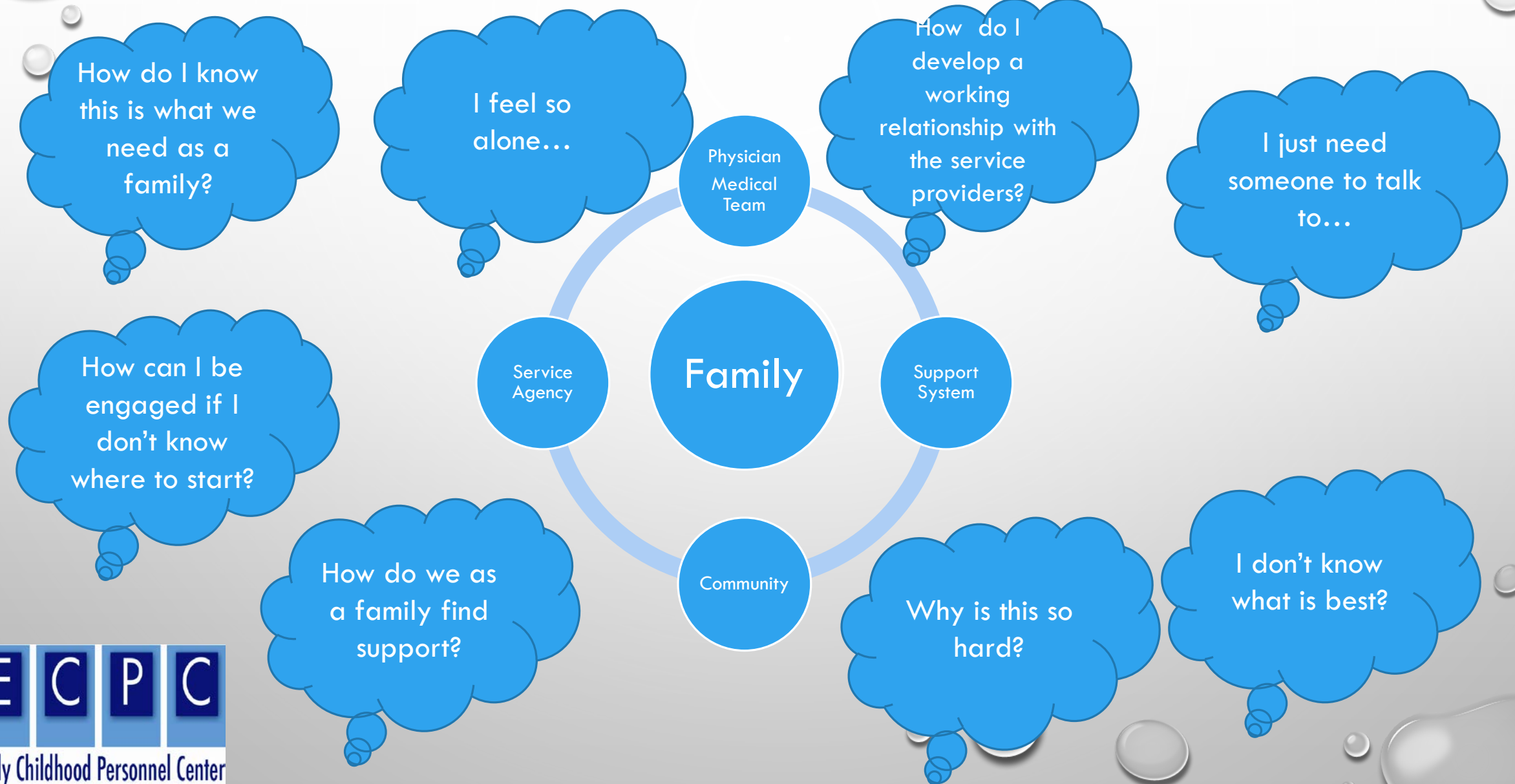
# NINE PRINCIPLES OF FAMILY-CENTERED CARE

1. RECOGNITION THAT THE FAMILY IS THE CONSTANT IN THE CHILD'S LIFE WHILE THE SERVICE SYSTEMS AND PERSONNEL WITHIN THOSE SYSTEMS FLUCTUATE.
2. FACILITATION OF PARENT/PROFESSIONAL COLLABORATION AT ALL LEVELS OF HEALTH CARE.
3. SHARING OF UNBIASED, COMPLETE INFORMATION WITH THE PARENTS ABOUT THE CHILD'S CARE ON AN ON-GOING BASIS.
4. IMPLEMENTATION OF APPROPRIATE POLICIES AND PROGRAMS THAT ARE COMPREHENSIVE AND PROVIDE EMOTIONAL AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE FAMILY.
5. RECOGNITION OF FAMILY STRENGTHS AND INDIVIDUALITY WITH RESPECT FOR DIFFERENT METHODS OF COPING.
6. UNDERSTANDING AND INCORPORATING THE DEVELOPMENTAL NEEDS OF INFANTS, CHILDREN, AND ADOLESCENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES INTO HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS.
7. ENCOURAGEMENT AND FACILITATION OF PARENT-TO-PARENT SUPPORT.
8. ASSURANCE THAT THE DESIGN OF HEALTH CARE DELIVERY SYSTEMS IS FLEXIBLE, ACCESSIBLE, AND RESPONSIVE TO FAMILY NEEDS.
9. HONORING THE RACIAL, ETHNIC, CULTURAL, AND SOCIOECONOMIC DIVERSITY OF FAMILIES.

# WHAT IT SHOULD LOOK LIKE



# WHAT IT FEELS LIKE TO A FAMILY



# NATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

WHAT ARE WE SEEING AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL?

- THE EVOLUTION OF THE FAMILY MOVEMENT, AND THE TRENDS THAT WE ARE SEEING OVER THE PAST 20 YEARS.
- HOW TO RECRUIT MORE PARENT INPUT?
  - GROWING THE POOL OF FAMILIES TO SHARE THEIR UNIQUE STORIES?

# WHAT IS WORKING?

- HOW ARE FAMILIES RECRUITED?
- HOW ARE FAMILIES TRAINED?
- HOW DO YOU PROVIDE ONGOING SUPPORT?

# WHAT ARE THE CHALLENGES?

IDENTIFY CHALLENGES AND WHAT YOU NEED TO  
ADDRESS CHALLENGES.



# WHAT'S NEXT

- STRATEGIZE HOW TO FIND THE NEXT GROUP OF FAMILY LEADERS
- WHAT DOES THAT LOOK LIKE?
- DEVELOPING A CONTINUUM OF INVOLVEMENT OPTIONS FOR FAMILIES – GROWING YOUR POOL.
- HOW DO YOU SUPPORT FAMILIES TO BECOME CONFIDENT AND COMPETENT?
- HOW CAN ECPC SUPPORT YOU IN YOUR ONGOING WORK WITH INVOLVING FAMILIES?

# QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

