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been a tremendous  
support and resource  
for our family-run  
organization."**

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## The National Federation of Families

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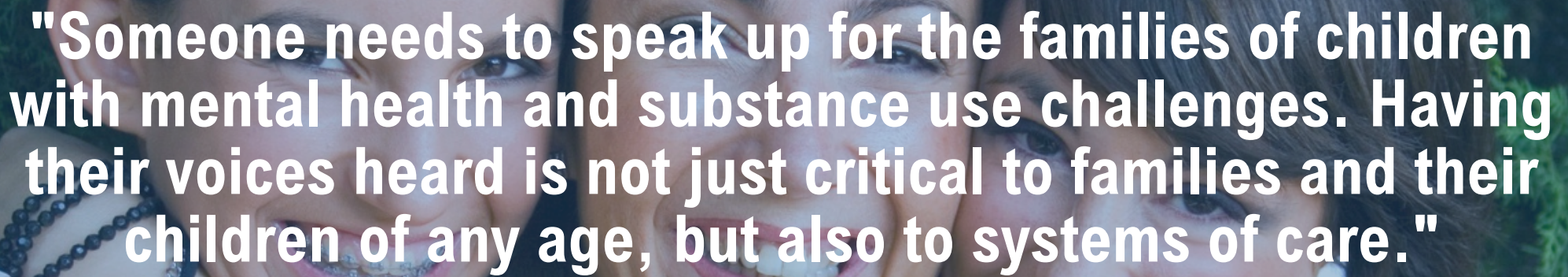
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**NATIONAL FEDERATION OF FAMILIES**  
*Bringing Lived Experience to Family Support*

**A NATIONWIDE ADVOCACY ORGANIZATION  
WITH FAMILIES AS ITS SOLE FOCUS**

**Bringing Lived Experience to  
Family Support**





**"Someone needs to speak up for the families of children with mental health and substance use challenges. Having their voices heard is not just critical to families and their children of any age, but also to systems of care."**

### Mission

The National Federation of Families, a national family-run organization, serves as the national voice for families of children who experience emotional, behavioral, and mental health and/or substance use challenges—across the lifespan.

### Vision

Family-serving systems that recognize the importance of family voice and embrace the full inclusion of all families who reflect the cultural, linguistic, and geographic diversity of our country.

### Our Commitment to Social Change

We believe that we must rediscover our capacity for lifting up all members of our society, no matter their lived experiences, challenges, or personal traumas. By focusing on peoples' potential—rather than their differences—we can begin to build stronger and more inclusive neighborhoods. We believe that true equity is the result of vibrant communities and responsive systems that promote self-reliance and interdependence and that celebrate diversity.

Adapted from Adler University (2023)

## What We Do:



**Nationally Certify** Family Peer Specialists, CFPSS™



**Advocate** for family voice at the national level



**Provide Technical Assistance** for family-run organizations nationwide



**Collaborate** to transform mental health care in America



**Organize** the only national conference dedicated solely to supporting families



**Develop Policies** that emphasize families' strengths



**Support, Create, and Curate Resources** for individuals and organizations

Contact us to learn more about how we can help your organization and how to become an affiliate today!

## Why Become a Member

The National Federation of Families offers membership into a national network of affiliates and partners with a shared vision of making life better for families and their children—across the lifespan. Benefits include:

- Your organization's contact details listed on our website and promoted in our e-newsletter
- Approved use of our name and logo on your website and other materials
- Resources for family-run and partner organizations and for Family Peer Specialists
- Consultation, technical assistance and support for your organization
- National networking and collaboration with family-run and partner organizations
- Access to news and action alerts on mental health policy issues impacting families
- Assistance contacting legislators or planning a Capitol Hill Day in your state
- Support with participating in National Children's Mental Health Acceptance Week (CMHAW) each year
- Advocacy updates on the work we do on behalf of families on Capitol Hill and more