



## Family Faculty Programs ~ Teaching Family-Centered Care

*Parent Panel class presentations:* Parents can participate on *panels* of three family members presenting their experiences to undergraduate and graduate classes in UVM Education and Health Sciences courses and at Saint Michael's College. Each parent speaks for 20 minutes. Daytime and evening classes are held on campus. Parking covered. \$50 stipend.

*Medical Education Project:* Third Year Medical Students in their pediatric rotation are assigned a *home visit* with families. The purpose is to teach family-centered care through your family story. Families are needed throughout the year. The assigned student schedules a mutually convenient time to meet for about 2 hours to hear the family's perspective. Brief feedback form is sent to VFN. \$50 stipend.

*Professionalism, Communication, Reflection (PCR) class:* First Year Medical Students meet in groups of eight with a faculty member and a parent for an introduction to *family-centered care*. Meeting 4-5:30 pm early in the fall semester, parents share their family's experience and perspective of having a child with special needs for 45 minutes. UVM Medical College. \$50 stipend.

*Vermont LEND (Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities):* Family-Centered Care and Cultural and Linguistic competence are core concepts for professional fellows enrolled in this UVM graduate program. The *Family Connection Experience* involves sharing your family perspective during a 2-hr. home visit interview with one assigned trainee/fellow. \$50 stipend.

Ask for VFN Family Faculty Coordinator at 1-800-800-4005

*Vermont Family Network's mission is to empower and support all Vermont families of children with special needs.*