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## **Families Helping Families**

The Federation of Families embraces and respects all families. Regardless of race, color, creed, sexual orientation, or income status. All families share the need to have their child accepted for who they are. They need their child to be properly evaluated, to get the education they are deserving of and to be

welcome in social and recreational programs

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# The North Dakota Family Voice for Children's Mental Health



# About the North Dakota Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health

The North Dakota Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health is a state and national family-run organization focused on the issues of children and youth with emotional, behavioral, or mental health needs and their families. It was conceived in Bismarck, North Dakota in May 4, 1994 by a group of 6 families determined to make a difference in the way the system works. ND Federation of Families is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

Members of the ND Federation of Families come from all walks of life. Emotional, behavioral or mental health needs cut across all income, educational, geographical, racial, ethnic, and religious groups. They are found among single parents and two-parent families and in birth, adoptive, and foster families.

The ND Federation of Families works to develop and implement policies, legislation, funding mechanisms, and service systems that utilize the strengths of families. Its emphasis on advocacy offers families a voice in the formation of state and national policy, services and supports for children with mental health needs and their families.

#### **Vision Statement**

Through a family and youth-driven approach, children and youth with emotional, behavioral, and mental health challenges and their families obtain needed supports and services so that children grow up healthy and able to maximize their potential.

#### **Mission Statement**

The ND Federation of Families, a state and national family-run organization serves to:

- Provide advocacy at the national level for the rights of children and youth with emotional, behavioral and mental health challenges and their families
- Provide leadership and technical assistance to a nation-wide network of family run organizations.
- Collaborate with family run and other child serving organizations to transform mental health care in America.

## **Our Principles**

The ND Federation of Families maintains that children and youth with emotional, behavioral or mental health challenges.

- Have strengths and make valuable contributions to their families.
- Are people first and deserve the same love, care, and attention as any other person.
- Have a right to safely participate in community life, live with their families, and attend school.
- Come from diverse backgrounds and must be treated with dignity and respect.
- Must receive all the services and supports necessary to achieve their potential.

# The North Dakota Federation of Families Supports Youth M.O.V.E. BeyoND

Youth MOVE BeyoND is the unified, North Dakota voice for youth and young adults to serve as a catalyst of change in their communities and across the state.



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