

# Education Advocacy Consortium

*Empowering Families Together*



## PATHFINDER SERVICES OF NORTH DAKOTA

North Dakota's federally designated PTI provides statewide resources, training, and navigation support to families, youth, and professionals. We empower families of children with disabilities (birth–26) to understand their rights, navigate IEPs, access services, and build self-advocacy skills. Through collaboration, we expand access to supports across the state.

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## NORTH DAKOTA FEDERATION OF FAMILIES FOR CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH

Parent-run organization supporting children and youth with emotional, behavioral, or mental health challenges and their families. Through a "Families Helping Families" approach, we provide support, advocacy, and education to empower families and connect them to needed resources. We are here to help—reach out anytime for information or assistance.

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## FAMILY VOICES

Family Voices of North Dakota, a family-led organization, serves as the state's Parent to Parent Program and Health Information and Education Center. We support families of children and youth with disabilities or chronic health conditions in navigating the complex care system and connecting with community resources. By prioritizing family leadership and recognizing their lived expertise, we foster an inclusive culture that promotes equitable outcomes for all.

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## DESIGNER GENES

Our mission is to strengthen opportunities for individuals with Down syndrome and those who support them to earn, learn, and belong. We are a family-led organization offering support, friendship, and connection for individuals of all ages with Down syndrome and their families. We work to build a community that embraces, respects, and includes people of all abilities.

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## ND PROTECTION & ADVOCACY PROJECT

An independent state agency that protects and advocates for the rights of people with disabilities within established priority areas. P&A works to advocate for educational rights for individuals with disabilities in the areas of least restrictive environment, seclusion and restraint, shortened school days, disability-related suspensions or expulsions, and denial of 504 disability-related accommodations that risk health and safety.

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