

# COMMUNITY RECOGNITION PROGRAM

The National Center for Ease of Use of Community-Based Services invites you to nominate promising programs and organizations that promote the health and well-being of children with special health-care needs and their families!

## WHO ARE WE?

Our mission is to advance policy and practice solutions that improve the ease of use of community-based services for families with a child or youth with special health-care needs.

## WHAT IS THE COMMUNITY RECOGNITION PROGRAM?

Our Center wants to recognize programs that are making community-based services easier to use. The Community Recognition Program will help to spread information about best practices and promote innovative solutions while giving the winning programs well-deserved recognition.

## WHO CAN I NOMINATE?

We are looking to highlight any programs that use new and interesting ways to meet the needs of children with special health-care needs and their families. The program should be culturally competent, family-centered, and inclusive. It should also encourage families to take an active role and engage them in decision-making.

## WHY NOMINATE A PROGRAM?

Selected programs will be:

- Recognized in their communities and nationally
- Highlighted on our Center's website and in nationally disseminated press releases
- Featured and promoted during events such as the Association of Maternal and Child Health Program's Annual Conference

## HOW DO I NOMINATE A PROGRAM?

There are two ways to nominate a program:

- complete the nomination form and email it to [jacquelyn.bialo@umb.edu](mailto:jacquelyn.bialo@umb.edu)
- fill out the nomination form on our website

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