

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL, INC.

The Parent Advisory Council, Inc. (PAC) is a diverse group of parents and guardians of children with special health care needs (CSHCN). The PAC is committed to advocacy and educating other families, government agencies and healthcare professionals on issues that affect children with special health care needs.

The PAC has representatives from across the state of Arkansas who meets quarterly along with service providers and agencies for collaboration.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the PAC is to serve as a liaison between the families of children with special health care needs (CSHCN) and existing resources.

PURPOSE

The PAC will bring issues that impact the lives of these children and families, with appropriate recommendation, to representatives of service agencies within the state.

The PAC will also have a teaching responsibility to the families they represent, service agencies and the professionals who serve the children.

The ability of parents and families to initiate change will be increased by the collaborative relationship.

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL GOALS

Provide a vital link between families of CSHCN and available services.

Provide input and feedback to appropriate agencies on how services are delivered to children and their families.

Promote family's access and utilization of various support groups.

Educate service providers concerning the changing needs of families that have CSHCN.

Educate families about current health care issues.