**Chapter 7 Handouts**

**7.1. Opportunities for Graduates with Family Voices of California**

In addition to the support you receive from your local trainer / mentor as you pursue leadership and advocacy opportunities, Family Voices of California offers the following to all Project Leadership graduates.

* **Databases**
* Family Database

Project Leadership graduates have the opportunity to be part of the FVCA Project Leadership **database of family leaders**. This confidential database helps the Project Leadership Manager and Local Trainers / Mentors match trained family leaders with agencies or media seeking input or other types of parent participation. This database is also used to track graduates’ advocacy and leadership activities.

* Opportunities Database

The **opportunity database** contains information for family involvement in health care policy and decision-making throughout the state. The Project Leadership Manager uses the database to help local Family Resource Centers and other agencies identify involvement opportunities for their families.

* **Quarterly Webinars**

The Project Leadership Manager will facilitate quarterly **webinars** targeted to all alumni and local Trainers/Mentors around the state. Featured topics and speakers inform graduates of policy updates, provide information about advocacy / leadership opportunities, and refresh graduates on advocacy / leadership tools and strategies.

* **FVCA Newsletter**
* FVCA will keep you updated with resources, workshops, policy updates, and action items that affect children and youth with special health care needs.
* SUBSCRIBE TO THE FVCA NEWSLETTER HERE at http://www.familyvoicesofca.org/
* (<https://app.e2ma.net/app2/audience/signup/1808929/1768462/>)
* **Online Advocacy Group**

Within this ongoing online learning community, the Project Leadership Manager keeps alumni informed and updated by posting local and state policy issues and involvement opportunities. The Project Leadership Manager also posts relevant news articles and videos. This forum helps keep graduates connected and facilitates peer mentoring. Participants are encouraged to post their own advocacy updates and information, and to support each other in their advocacy pursuits.

* **Annual In-Person Meeting:**
* Two meetings held annually: 1 in Northern CA (Bay Area) and 1 in Southern CA (Los Angeles)
* The purpose of these meetings is to celebrate Project Leadership graduates’ advocacy and leadership efforts, network with dozens of graduates and find out how they are using their training, receive information about current issues affecting children with special health care needs / disabilities, and learn about current leadership and advocacy opportunities for graduates.
* **FVCA Annual Health Summit and Legislative Day**

FVCA hosts an annual statewide Health Summit & Legislative Day in Sacramento. This conference brings families, youth, providers, policymakers, advocates, state agencies, insurers, and other stakeholders together under one roof to identify and address the health challenges that affect one of California’s most vulnerable populations: children and youth with special health care needs.

* **Mentoring / Support from Project Leadership Manager**

The Project Leadership Manager, Allison Gray, is available for ongoing individual mentoring and support. agray@familyvoicesofca.org / (415) 282-7494 ext. 136

**7.2. Evaluation**

**Chapter 7: Solidifying Partnerships** **Date:**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please put a check in the box that best fits your opinion.

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| ***This training:* Solidifying Partnerships: Connecting with Local Change Makers** | **Strongly Agree****👍****5** | **Agree****4** | **Neither Agree nor Disagree****3** | **Disagree****2** | **Strongly Disagree****👎****1** | **Not Applicable**  |
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| … helped me learn how to connect with local leaders and advocates | **5** | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** | **N/A** |
| …increased my knowledge of what an effective (finished) Action Plan looks like | **5** | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** | **N/A** |
| … gave me more tips on how to be an advocate for CSHCN from the information shared by guest speakers  | **5** | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** | **N/A** |

1. Were the objectives of this workshop clear? ❑ yes ❑ no ❑ somewhat

 *Comments:*

2. What part(s) did you find **most** useful?

3. What part(s) did you find **least** useful?

4. How would you rate the value of this workshop overall on a scale of 1 to 5, with 5 being great value?

Great Value **👍** ❑ 5 ❑ 4 ❑ 3 ❑ 2 ❑ 1 Little value **👎**

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| ***The Project Leadership Training as a whole*** | **Strongly Agree****👍****5** | **Agree****4** | **Neither Agree nor Disagree****3** | **Disagree****2** | **Strongly Disagree****👎****1** | **Not Applicable**  |
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| … helped me understand the history and purpose of advocacy | **5** | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** | **N/A** |
| … helped me understand the different types of advocacy | **5** | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** | **N/A** |
| …increased my knowledge about the legislative and government system | **5** | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** | **N/A** |
| …increased my knowledge about the public systems for CSHCN | **5** | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** | **N/A** |
| …helped me to be a better communicator | **5** | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** | **N/A** |
| …helped me develop “my story” and increased my ability to share “my story” | **5** | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** | **N/A** |
| …helped me see the value of participating on decision-making bodies | **5** | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** | **N/A** |
| … taught me how to connect with local leaders and advocates | **5** | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** | **N/A** |
| … motivated and empowered me to be an advocate for CSHCN | **5** | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1** | **N/A** |

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