

# Family Input Workgroup

CCOHVS is partnering with Black and Brown Families Matter to facilitate the Family Input Workgroup. Using the Spectrum of Community Engagement to Ownership as a framework, CCOHVS seeks the voices and input of family leaders to consult the Family First Prevention Plan Amendment, and co-create the Family Leadership State and Regional Recommendations.

This group convenes a growing group of what is currently 14 parents or family members from rural and urban families from around the state. Each member has experience participating in home visiting programs and/or parent advisory councils. During our meetings, we focus on relationship building, centering on the goals of early childhood home visiting, and working on the two projects detailed below.

## FAMILY FIRST PREVENTION PLAN AMENDMENT

Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) hopes to reach more families and expand the services available through federal funding of prevention services through Family First.

Family Leaders will share input to support the design team in their initial discussions about what services will be included and which children and families that can access them.

Family Leaders will also provide feedback on the initial plan once it comes together in the new year.



**Black and Brown Families Matter (BBFM)** organizes and elevates the voices of black and brown children, parents, and families. Frustrated with social service systems based on racial hierarchies and social constructs that under-serve and over-criminalize Black and Brown people and families, BBFM partners with all races and cultures to get into “good trouble” and disrupt over 400 years of intentionally designed systematic and institutional racism. BBFM is committed to rebuilding social systems that hear and respect the voices of Black and Brown Families to benefit *all* families because “if you’re not good, then I’m not good.”

## FAMILY LEADERSHIP STATE AND REGIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Objective 10, Strategy 10.3 in Raise Up Oregon 2.0 is to “build or strengthen regional structures that ensure family leadership in the co-creation of policies, recommendations, and strategies that guide home visiting coordination”.

Family Leaders will review information collected by CCOHVS from partners throughout Oregon and co-create recommendations that will support successful implementation of key principles. These recommendations will be shared as guidance on family leadership in Early Childhood Home Visiting with state and regional partners.