



POSITION: Parent Partner (NICU Focused)
SUPERVISOR: Director of Health and Outreach
STATUS: Part-time, up to 20 hours, 12 months, non-exempt

OVERVIEW:

The **Parents' Place of Maryland (PPMD)** is recruiting a **Parent Partner** to work on a grant-funded initiative. We are seeking individuals with a strong commitment to improving outcomes for Maryland Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN), **with a special emphasis on children in the NICU**. PPMD is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to empower families and improve family professional relationships.

PPMD seeks a part-time **Parent Partner (PP)** to serve as a Family Resource Specialist to coordinate with pediatric primary care providers and specialty care practices in a **Pediatric Medical Home/Care Coordination Enhancement Project** to provide high-quality, culturally competent services leading to positive outcomes for CYSHCN and their families. The PP will foster positive relationships with professionals.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Represent the perspective of families with CYSHCN;
- Participate in training and orientation sessions;
- Provide information, technical assistance, referrals to community-based services, and parent-to-parent support to families of CYSHCN;
- Assist families of CYSHCN to navigate multiple systems including early intervention, education, health care, and community-based service systems;
- Assist professionals to provide family-centered, culturally competent, coordinated care;
- Collect and analyze evaluation information; prepare reports as needed;
- Maintain records and information that support project under direction of supervisor;
- Other responsibilities as needed.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS and KNOWLEDGE:

- Must be a veteran parent (child five+ years old) of a child with special needs and have experience navigating education and health systems. *Preference will be given to a parent who has NICU experience.*
- Outstanding planning, communication & organizational skills;
- Excellent outreach, family engagement, and community collaboration skills;
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills;
- Knowledge of local community and resources;
- Ability to work flexible hours;
- Access to reliable transportation;



- Basic computer skills;
- Bilingual in English/Spanish is a plus
- Work is performed in a medical facility or a general office environment.

Certification or licensing requirements

Valid Driver's License

The Parents' Place of Maryland is an equal employment opportunity employer.

Closing Date: Open until filled

Compensation for this position is \$17/hour. Parents of children with disabilities and/or special health care needs are encouraged to apply. To be considered you must submit a resume and cover letter <https://www.ppmd.org/careers/>. This position is open until filled.

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