# **Virtual Family Leadership Institute**



Supported by funding from the Family to Family Health Information Center

You're invited to apply to participate in a Family Leadership Institute (FLI), offered at **no cost to families** by the PEAL Center and our partners.

Live sessions will be held on Zoom every Tuesday evening, from 5:00-6:30 pm, for 7 weeks between January 11th and February 22nd, 2022. Participants MUST COMMIT to attending all live sessions, in addition to completing "Learning On Your Own" (LOYO) assignments in between.

- Participation is by application only
- Applications must be completed and submitted by **December 3rd, 2021.**

Complete the online application at:

www.surveymonkey.com/r/PEALVirtFLI2022

**SPACE IS LIMITED. PLEASE APPLY EARLY!** 

If you have been selected for this FLI, we will let you know by December 10th.

**Contact PEAL with any questions:** • Call: 866-950-1040 ext. 203

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# **FAOs**

## 1. What is a Family Leadership Institute (FLI)?

• A multi-session, in-depth training for families to build knowledge and leadership skills related to inclusive special education and health care

#### 2. Who Should Attend?

• Parents, family members, and other caregivers of children and youth who have disabilities and/or special health care needs

#### 3. Why Should Families Attend?

- To increase their knowledge and understanding of educational systems and services
- To learn new communication, leadership, and advocacy skills for working with your child's school team
- To become part of a network of families and professionals that share a common focus

## 4. What Topics will be Covered?

- History of Disability and Special Education Rights
- Special Education Process and Building a Strong IEP
- Navigating the Maze of Health Care Services
- Advocacy and Organizing for Change

The mission of the PEAL Center is to educate and empower families to ensure that children, youth and young adults with disabilities and special health care needs lead rich, active lives as full members of their schools and communities.

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