

Right now your family might be in the middle of a crisis



Or maybe you have just been through one and you are now trying to make a plan that helps you avoid another Your Parent Representative Is:

## It's a teacher!



No, it's a case worker!



Wait! It's your friendly neighborhood LIT Parent Representative!



# Local Interagency Team Parent Representative



If someone suggests to you that your family might benefit from a Coordinated Services Plan or you need a referral to LIT, consider contacting your local Parent Representative.

A Parent Representative is a family member just like you. They have lived through some of the same difficult experiences that you might be involved in right now. They are able to bring their insight into how these difficult situations affect families, as well as an understanding of how the system works to support them.

Meetings can be difficult to understand and painful to attend. Consider bringing someone with you who understands the issues as well as the meeting dynamics:

Your Local Parent Representative

### What Can your Parent Representative do?

Meet with you before, during v and after a coordinated service plan meeting

Meet with you before, during v and after a meeting with your Local Interagency Team

Communicate with the Parent V Representative on the State Interagency Team

Communicate with the Parent V Representative on the Case Review Committee

Serve as a bridge between you √ and the Service Providers

Understand the situation from v your point of view

Act as a "parent voice" during V discussions of systems issues

Do all of the above at no cost v to you

### What Can't your Parent

### **Representative do?**

Act as a paid advocate V

Guarantee specific results v of any kind

Know the answer to every √ question

FLY! √

Parent Representatives work in partnership with the members of your Local Interagency Team and the State Interagency Team. This represents the same spirit of collaboration that a Coordinated Services Plan can offer to your team.

