

# national network membership packet

## MEMBER BENEFITS

BENEFIT	MEMBERSHIP LEVEL			DESCRIPTION
	Public	Affiliate	Partner	
<b>Do-It-Yourself Technical Assistance</b>				
On-Line Resource Center	✓	✓	✓	Website with useful links to Partner organizations including the Center for the Study of Social Policy, the National Alliance of Children's Trust and Prevention Funds, ZERO TO THREE, the National Association for the Education of Young Children, the BUILD Initiative, and others
Electronic Library	✓	✓	✓	Presentations, publications, and other tools for programs and state leaders
Training Marketplace	✓	✓	✓	Searchable database of trainings, including feedback from other users and contact information for trainers
<b>Customized, Fee-for-Service Technical Assistance</b>				
Technical Assistance and Support	✓	✓	✓	On-site technical assistance provided by Strengthening Families staff and Partners, tailored to your site's particular needs. Includes strategic consulting on implementing Strengthening Families, training, and conference keynotes and presentations. Cost varies. Priority given to Partners and Affiliates.
Peer Linkages		✓	✓	Matching of sites working on common issues for peer-to-peer support and technical assistance
Conference Calls			✓	Quarterly topical teleconference facilitated by Strengthening Families staff
<b>Knowledge Development</b>				
Open Workshop		✓	✓	Interactive website for uploading and exchanging feedback on draft tools
Learning Circles		✓	✓	Sites with similar learning goals share information and develop ideas on areas of the Strengthening Families approach. Communication takes place over several months on designated message boards, in conference calls, and at periodic convenings.
Meetings and Symposia		✓	✓	Invitations to attend and participate in Strengthening Families events
Peer Review		✓	✓	Have your tools and materials reviewed by peers
			✓	Serve as peer reviewers for Partners' and Affiliates' tools and materials
<b>Other</b>				
Statewide Program Data		✓	✓	Online access to aggregated data on programs participating in Strengthening Families in your state, territory, or tribe. Generate standard and customized reports or download raw data.
Use of Logo		✓	✓	Use Strengthening Families logo on materials produced by your site
Shared Leadership			✓	Participate in developing the Strengthening Families National Network
Represent Strengthening Families at Events			✓	Represent the Strengthening Families National Network at national and statewide meetings, conferences, and other events

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

States across the country are implementing the Strengthening Families approach and doing groundbreaking work to integrate the Protective Factors across child- and family-focused systems. The Strengthening Families National Network will offer you many ways to learn from others doing Strengthening Families

work and to share what you have learned in your own state, territory, or tribe. Your active involvement in the Network will enrich Strengthening Families and help transform systems that support children and families.

### PART A. General Application

Please complete Part A if you wish to be a part of the Strengthening Families National Network either as an Affiliate or a Partner (see Member Benefits). Complete only one application per state, territory, or tribe. Attach additional sheets as needed.

1. State/Territory/Tribe: \_\_\_\_\_

2. State/Territory/Tribe Lead—First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization/Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Please list the members of your Strengthening Families Leadership Team:

4. What key Strengthening Families strategies and activities have been implemented in your state, territory, or tribe?

5. What additional Strengthening Families strategies and activities are planned for the next year in your state, territory, or tribe?

Stop here if you are joining the Network as an Affiliate.

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION, CONT.

### PART B. Partner Application

Please complete Part B if you wish to be a Partner member of the Strengthening Families National Network (see Member Benefits). Your state, territory, or tribe is eligible to be a Partner if it meets or has a well developed plan to meet the following criteria:

- There is a functioning leadership team in place, including professionals in early care and education and child welfare, as well as parents.
- There is a plan for engaging parents in the implementation and expansion of Strengthening Families.
- Early care and education centers in the state, territory, or tribe are using the Strengthening Families Self-Assessment and engaging in action planning.
- Strengthening Families is integrated into professional development for staff in early care and education.
- Strengthening Families is integrated into early childhood initiatives, such as Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems.
- Strengthening Families is integrated into child abuse and neglect prevention.
- Strengthening Families is integrated into child welfare.
- Resources have been committed to Strengthening Families.
- There is a commitment on the part of the state, territory, or tribe to collect standard data on Strengthening Families programs. Initially, this will involve partnering to create and model methods of collecting data that may not currently be available.

If your state does not yet meet these criteria, you can join as an Affiliate now and apply to become a Partner later.

6. Does your state, territory, or tribe have a parent engagement plan for Strengthening Families?  Yes  No Describe:

7. Are early care and education programs in your state, territory, or tribe using the Strengthening Families Self-Assessment?

Yes  No If yes, how many are using it? \_\_\_\_\_

Has a plan to encourage more centers to use the self-assessment been developed?  Yes  No

8. Has Strengthening Families been integrated into professional development in your state, territory, or tribe?  Yes  No Describe:

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION, CONT.

9. Has Strengthening Families been integrated into early childhood initiatives in your state, territory, or tribe?  Yes  No Describe:

10. Has Strengthening Families been integrated into child abuse and neglect prevention in your state, territory, or tribe?  
 Yes  No Describe:

11. Has your state, territory, or tribe integrated Strengthening Families into child welfare?  Yes  No Describe:

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION, CONT.

12. Please list any resources that have been committed to Strengthening Families in your state, territory, or tribe:

Please print this completed form, keep a copy for yourself, and fax or mail a copy to:

Strengthening Families Initiative  
CSSP  
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Washington DC, 20005  
Fax: 847-556-6043

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