

SUZANE FORNARO: I'm Suzanne Fornaro with the Learning Disabilities Association of America. I represent families with the Partnership. As a national family-based organization representing individuals with learning disabilities, LDA feels it is important to be a part of the Partnership, working to change the way organizations work. Families and family members are needed as part of the cross-stakeholder groups that work together on common issues and shared agendas.

I urge you to consider being a part of the Partnership, working with other organizations and states on issues with which - which you feel are very important in order to improve outcomes for students with disabilities.

Finally, one of the most important reasons families should be involved with the Partnership is that the Partnership works on issues which families feel are extremely important. They include autism, early childhood, transition, creating agreement, universal design for learning, and school behavioral health.