



FAMILY RESOURCE NETWORK OF OHIO

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New Resource to Assist People with Developmental Disabilities and Their Families

[The Ohio State University Nisonger Center](#) recently introduced the Family Resource Network of Ohio (FRNO), designed to serve the estimated 250,000 Ohioans with developmental disabilities and their families. The FRNO website, FRNOhio.org, provides an online community to share information, engage with others, access a resource database, and view upcoming events.

FRNOhio.org aims to engage ALL families, including families of the approximately 49 percent of Ohioans with disabilities who are not receiving eligibility-based services, and provide them with a network of support and access to resources.

In addition, FRNO offers in-person training in [the LifeCourse Framework](#), which teach strategies for achieving goals and improving quality of life. The LifeCourse Framework was developed by the University of Missouri and is now implemented in more than 15 states across the country. LifeCourse is free and open to everyone, regardless of ability.

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