



Family Voices United to End Racism against CYSHCN and Their Families (FamU)
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Black Children and Youth with Special Health Needs: Families Navigate Oregon's Broken Systems



Thursday, April 6, 12 noon – 1:30 p.m., Watch live <http://bit.ly/3kUe6GU>

This panel will discuss issues, raise awareness, and offer hope and suggestions to improve care and outcomes for Black Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN).

Panelists:

- **Sheila Harris:** Parent of a child with special needs, who was not diagnosed with Down Syndrome until 5 months; at 4 years old she was diagnosed with Autism at OHSU.
- **Tia Moore:** A single parent of four children. The youngest and oldest have IEP's or individual education plans. They are working on the transition to adulthood.
- **Dr. Mortuma Murry:** OHSU specialist in the care of patients with blood conditions, particularly sickle cell disease, and in providing a safe and successful transition from pediatric to adult health care teams.
- **Laurie Palmer:** Community gun violence activist and mother to a grandson who experiences Autism. She lost a son to an inheritable heart condition and a son to gun violence. She is the founder of "Go Get Your Child: Community Anti-Gun Violence Foundation."
- **Pastor Marcia Taylor:** Executive Director of the Sickle Cell Anemia Foundation of Oregon, which serves families in Oregon and around the NW. She is mother to Ramona who lost her life due to complications from Sickle Cell Anemia.
- Moderator: **Lydia Dennehy,** Resource Specialist and Parent Partner, Oregon Family to Family Health Information Center. She is the parent of a CYSHCN teen.

Program:

- ★ 12:00 Welcome and introductions ★ 12:05 Panel discussion ★ 1:00 Questions ★ 1:25 Wrap up



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